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## Army seeks boost in up-armored Humvee production: Harvey



Army News Service

**WASHINGTON** — An additional 100 up-armored Humvees per month could soon be heading to Iraq, according to Army officials.

Secretary of the Army Francis J. Harvey is looking to modify the Army's contract with Armor Holdings, Inc. of Jacksonville, Fla., which currently produces 450 per month of the specialty vehicles, known as UAHs. Robert Mecredy, president of Aerospace and Defense Group for Armor Holdings, told Harvey the company may be able to put out as many as 100 more a month, officials said.

"Once I was informed of the additional production capacity, I wanted to ensure those additional vehicles were going directly to our forces in Iraq," Harvey said.

An up-armored Humvee has steel-plate doors, ballistic-resistant windows and steel plating underneath the vehicle that offers better protection against bullets, rocket-propelled grenades and improvised explosive devices. The UAH weighs about 3,000 pounds more than the regular version.

The Army, which provides the UAHs to all U.S. forces in Iraq, aims to have 8,105 of the vehicles in its inventory by March 2005, officials said.

PHOTO BY SGT. JEREMIAH JOHNSON  
Troops in Iraq will soon see new Humvees like this one rolling down the street if things go the way Secretary of the Army Francis J. Harvey wants them to.

### Fire alarm system to be upgraded

By John A. Nowell

Korea Region Public Affairs Office

**YONGSAN** — The Republic of Korea Ministry of Communications has notified U.S. Forces Korea that fire alarm transmitters that operate on a currently-used broadband radio frequency need to be converted to narrowband by Dec. 31.

What this means to building occupants of facilities with fire systems using the current broadband radio is the alarms will no longer automatically trigger notification to the on-post fire department when a fire alarm is actuated in the building.

"The fire alarms will still work in the buildings," said Leopold Dumond, Korea Region chief of fire and emergency services. "It's just that the automatic notification of the fire department will not take place."

During a normal emergency the fire-alarm transmitter notifies the fire department of the location of the emergency. While the system is undergoing upgrades, the transmitters will not be on.

The project will cost \$1.85 million and will take about 12 months to complete, said Dumond. This includes upgrading all the systems on Army installations peninsulawide. Some areas will be completed in a shorter time.

"People will still hear an alarm when there's a fire," said Dumond. "But they need to investigate and make sure the fire department is notified."

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### New POV license plates required by Jan. 1

By Staff Sgt. Mark Porter

Korea Region Public Affairs Office

**YONGSAN** — Military, Department of Defense and civilian drivers have until Jan. 1 to switch to new license plates for their personally owned vehicles, or face possible fines.

According to Maj. Garth Perez, 8th Military Police Brigade, the change to new plates began earlier this year as part of an existing agreement between U.S. forces and the Korean government.

"The old plates are of a style like Japanese plates from World War II that were adapted by the U.S. forces when the original Status of Forces Agreement was made," Perez said. "The change (to the new plates) has been implemented throughout this calendar year as part of the most recent SOFA agreement update."

Perez said some drivers may already have the new plates — which more closely resemble standard civilian Korean license plates. As vehicle registrations were renewed during the year, or new registrations were issued, those vehicles were given the new plates. For those who still need to make the switch, he said the process is an easy one.

"To obtain the new license plate vehicle owners must take the old plate, vehicle registration forms, valid driver's license and



COURTESY PHOTO  
Under a Status of Forces Agreement between the United States and Republic of Korea, license plates like this one will not be valid starting Jan. 1. Owners of these plates will face possible fines.

a military ID card to the Pass and Identification/Vehicle Registration Office located in their area," Perez said. There is a \$7 fee for the new plate and a safety inspection will also be conducted.

Though there is no military penalty associated with missing the end-of-year deadline, Perez said drivers who do not obtain the new plates before Jan. 1 can be cited for "Improper Vehicle Registration" by the Korean National Police.

There are seven vehicle registration offices on the Peninsula, located in Yongsan and on camps Humphreys, Walker, Carroll and Hialeah, Kunsan Air Base, and Osan Air Base.

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## There's no latitude for a bad attitude

By Sgt. Andrew Kosterman

Korea Region Public Affairs

Many people are disgusted by the salaries that professional athletes make. I'm not one of those guys who throws the morning newspaper away in disgust over reading about someone getting a new, lucrative contract deal – most of the time.

As a matter of fact, I'm of the opinion that many of these guys are drastically underpaid. And I think some of you would agree.

I know some are still haunted by the images of Darryl Stingley being rendered a paraplegic by a ferocious shot from Jack Tatum in 1978. What about the late Johnny Unitas who struggles to sign autographs at card shows while awkwardly gripping a pen with his permanently damaged right hand?

I have to wonder if Joe Montana did aspirin commercials in the 90s as part of a deal to relieve the pain he inevitably feels from years of being smacked around. One can only speculate how Brett Favre will pay for his current NFL-starts streak.

What would the price be to step inside one of these battered bodies for the rest of your life?

This, however, goes beyond the pain factor.

Ask yourself a question, would you turn down a multi-million dollar contract on the basis that you are being too greedy? Of course not.

Let's not forget how much time these players can spend away from their families. It can be argued that professional athletes have little time for anything except training and competing during a sports season, which can last for many months of the year.

A study conducted by the University of Oregon said that wives of professional athletes have to deal with various fears of having their husbands away on long road trips on a regular basis.

Anna Benson, wife of Mets' pitcher Kris Benson, even recently expressed her thoughts publicly on what she would do if she found out her husband cheated on her.

That leaves no doubt in my mind that relationships athletes are involved in are under some degree of stress.

I don't begrudge players their money. I don't begrudge the lifestyles that most of them live. I begrudge them their attitudes.

That brings me to Barry Bonds. And also those involved in the now famous "basketbrawl."

Bonds first. Why would a guy who makes \$18 million a year charge fans \$7,500 for a five-minute meet-and-greet session? I guess almost two decades of playing baseball has started to take a toll on his body. Those trips to the drug store, I mean hospital, must be racking up.

I know admitting to a grand jury that you were using illegal drugs to enhance your performance takes a lot out of you, but c'mon. OK, he said he didn't know the trainer was giving him steroids. Barry survives for now.

Ron Artest, undoubtedly one of the leaders of the basketbrawl, is a different story. He a perfect example of how professional athletes are rating themselves lower and lower on my list of potential role models.

Before running into the stands to fight with the people who contribute to his multi-million dollar salary, Artest already had the makings of a guy in trouble, ranging from destroying television monitors at Madison Square Garden two years ago to missing the team flight to Game

6 of the Eastern Conference finals at Detroit last season.

It would seem obvious to most of us that athletes would keep themselves in the best of shape. Not Artest. He asked for time off from basketball because his body his "body has been aching."

The cause of this pain he claimed was the result of a busy schedule of projects he was involved in. What did Artest say about this schedule?

"I've still got my album coming out Nov. 23. After the album comes out I'm going to make sure all of my time is focused on winning a championship."

What!? Of course, he is talking about his rap album. Me first, team second. This seems to reflect play in the NBA these days, but that's another story.

The Pacers gave him a slap on the wrist at the time. After the brawl, I think the NBA not only gave him what he asked from his team two weeks earlier, but a little bit more.

I have to applaud the NBA for their actions. This is a good reminder to players that they must remain in control on their emotions (especially if you are a visiting team in Detroit).

Players who perform with a high level of passion will never bother me. All I ask is that they train themselves honestly and learn when things are getting out of bounds. After all, the \$50 nose-bleed tickets are hard for guys like me to pay for.

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## MP Blotter

The following entry was excerpted from the past several weeks military police blotters. These entries may be incomplete and do not determine the guilt or innocence of any person.

■ Military police were notified of an assault consummated by battery. An investigation disclosed that unknown person(s) by unknown means physically assaulted three Soldiers while they were off post. The first Soldier was struck in the back of his head with an open hand causing no injuries. The second Soldier was struck on the right side of his nose with an open hand causing a minor cut. A third Soldier was struck on the back center of his head and lower lip with a closed hand, causing a minor scratch to the back of his head and a minor cut to the inside of his lower lip. Two of the Soldiers denied medical attention and were released on their own recognizance. The third Soldier was transported by the military police to a medical clinic where he was evaluated and released with no medical attention necessary. An investigation continues by MPs.

## Morning Calm Weekly Soundoff:

### Are Reserve Soldiers treated as 2nd Class Soldiers?



**"No, because once activated, they get full benefits just like active Soldiers."** —

Staff Sgt. Larry Sperry, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 20th Support Group, Camp Henry



**"No. I feel they are doing the job just like active-duty troops, especially in Iraq."** —

Sgt. Shawn Fripp, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, Area I, Camp Red Cloud



**No, but they have different mentality from active-duty Soldiers."** — Sgt. Jason

Kolka, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 20th Support Group, Camp Henry



**"No, but I've never worked with any reservists or National Guard Soldiers."** —

Spc. Travis Watson, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, Area I, Camp Red Cloud

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## NEWS &amp; NOTES

**Free DMZ Tour For Students**

Visiting and in-country high school and college students of Department of Defense military and civilian personnel, Department of State and DoDDS employees employees in Korea are invited to a free tour of the demilitarized zone and Joint Security Area 9:45 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. Dec. 30. The program includes historical briefings and tours of the third infiltration tunnel, Dora Observatory, Camp Bonifas and Panmunjeom. Reservations are required. E-mail [deleonc@korea.army.mil](mailto:deleonc@korea.army.mil) or call Nel de Leon, USFK Public Affairs Office at 723-4685 by Dec. 22. When calling from off-post, dial 0505-723-4685. Seats are limited.

**Toys For Tots**

The U.S. Marine Corps Forces Korea is conducting its annual charity drive. Toys will go to Army Community Service to those families who need assistance during the holiday season. Extra toys will be offered to local orphanages. The greatest need is for seven- to 12-year-old children. Drop offs are located at post exchanges, commissaries, schools and chapels from now until Tuesday.

**Girl Scouts Registration**

Girl Scouts Overseas - Seoul are now registering. Troop meetings will begin soon. Those who are interested in being a Girl Scout this year or an adult volunteer, or would like more information, should contact Trudy Heard at 6355-5060 or e-mail [gsocseoul@yahoo.com](mailto:gsocseoul@yahoo.com).

**Scholarships for Military Children**

The Defense Commissary Agency's annual Scholarships for Military Children program is now accepting applications for the 2005 program. Applications can be found at base commissaries, or online at <http://www.militaryscholar.org>. They must be returned to the commissary by Feb. 16. One \$1,500 scholarship will be awarded at each commissary location with eligible applicants.

**Basketball Tournament**

A Christmas special unit level basketball tournament will be at Camp Casey Hanson Field House 1 p.m. Monday-Dec. 26. For information, call 730-3220.

**9-Ball Tournament**

A Korean-American Friendship 9-ball tournament will be at Camp Hovey Community Activity Center 11 a.m. Sunday. For information, call 730-3338.

**Santa Delivers Cards**

Santa will deliver cards and presents to locations on camps Walker, Henry and George, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Tuesday. If you would like a card and gift delivered to someone special, stop by the Community Center on Camp Walker before Wednesday. The cost for delivery is \$5. Call 764-4123 for information.

**'Operation Santa Claus'**

Military Post Offices will conduct a second unit mail call, called "Operation Santa Claus," the evening of Dec. 24 to ensure that all mail recieved on Christmas Eve is available for delivery to the addresses before Christmas Day. Projected mail call will be about 7 p.m., but may vary by location, mail volumes and weather conditions.

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## Saddam Hussein's capture: One year later

By Donna Miles

American Forces Press Service

**WASHINGTON** — One year after U.S. forces found him hiding in a "spider hole" near his hometown of Tikrit, former dictator Saddam Hussein remains imprisoned at an undisclosed location awaiting his trial on charges of war crimes and crimes against humanity.

Saddam is in the physical custody of Multinational Forces Iraq officials, although the Iraqi interim government maintains legal custody, according to Air Force Maj. Michael Shavers, a DoD spokesman.

The former dictator faced an Iraqi investigative judge July 1, and will be tried according to Iraqi law, Shavers said. A panel of Iraqi judges is set to determine his fate at the Iraqi Special Tribunal. Saddam's status as an enemy prisoner of war ended after an Iraqi judge notified him June 30 that he was facing criminal charges under the Iraqi criminal code, Shavers said.

The International Committee of the Red Cross has visited Saddam twice since his capture by U.S. troops on Dec. 13, 2003, on Feb. 21 and April 27, Shavers confirmed. Officials say he is receiving appropriate medical care and is in good health. The upcoming tribunal will bring closure to more than three decades of brutality by the former dictator, who has been linked to hundreds of thousands of Iraqi deaths.

Removing him from power was a major objective of Operation Iraqi Freedom, due to the threat he posed not only to the Iraqis, but also to the region and the United States.

One year ago today, Ambassador L. Paul Bremer III uttered three words that brought a close to the manhunt for the former dictator: "We got him." U.S. forces captured Saddam, who they found hiding in a manmade hole in the ground inside a remote hideaway near the village of Adwar.

About 600 members of the 1st Brigade, 4th Infantry Division, along with special operations forces, launched Operation Red Dawn after receiving intelligence that Saddam was in the area. A tip from someone inside the dictator's secret circle led the U.S. forces to him.

Saddam, who had eluded coalition forces since the war began March 19, surrendered without resistance. No shots were fired during the operation.

He was discovered huddled with a pistol and \$750,000 in U.S. currency. Also with him were documents that outlined the structure of Saddam's



An Iraqi translator, who simply goes by the name Samir, holds Saddam Hussein after he was pulled from a hole in the ground Dec. 13, 2003.



Above: Saddam Hussein (right) is escorted by U.S. military personnel for screening shortly after his capture at an unknown location in Iraq.

Right: Signs, like the one behind this U.S. Army paratrooper in April 2003, began to come down after the U.S.-led invasion.



PHOTO BY SGT. ANDREW KOSTERMAN

network and its financial network—information officials said offered valuable insights to coalition troops.

President Bush said on the day of the capture that it "marks the end of the road," not only for Saddam, but also "for all who bullied and killed in his name."

He said during a televised address that the capture "was crucial to the rise of a free Iraq" and that it sends a clear message to Baathist holdouts in Iraq. "There will be no return to the corrupt power and privilege they once held," he said.

Bush assured the Iraqi people that "a dark and painful era in the history of Iraq is finally over."

"You will not have to fear the rule of Saddam Hussein ever again," he said. "The former dictator of Iraq will face the justice he denied to millions."

Shortly after the capture, Army Gen.

John Abizaid, chief of U.S. Central Command, called Saddam's capture "a huge psychological blow" to the insurgency that he said "will pay dividends over time."

"We've got a lot of fighting ahead of us," Abizaid acknowledged. "But this is a big win for the young Soldiers that made it happen, and for the young intelligence professionals that are smart enough to put the information together to lead us to the right place."

During his Dec. 7 visit to Camp Pendleton, Calif., President Bush praised the Marines for their role in Saddam's capture.

"You drove Saddam Hussein from his palace into a spider hole," the president told a cheering crowd of Marines and family members. "And now he sits in an Iraqi prison, awaiting justice."

## Armor effort a 'good news story' for troops

By Jim Garamone

American Forces Press Service

**WASHINGTON** — "None of us wants to send a young man or woman into harm's way without adequate protection," said the top general in Kuwait today.

That's why Soldiers and civilian technicians are working 24 hours a day to ensure all wheeled vehicles going to Iraq have

some level of armor.

Army Lt. Gen. Steven Whitcomb, commander of the 3rd Army and Central Command's Combined Forces Land Component commander, said during an interview from Kuwait that the armor situation is "a good news story for our Army."

He said the need for armored wheeled vehicles became apparent in August 2003. That was when enemy forces turned

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## 175th FINCOM survey on the way to Soldiers in Korea

### 175th Finance Command

**YONGSAN** — The 175th Finance Command will host the 2005 Cost of Living Allowance survey Jan. 7 through Feb. 7. All servicemembers are encouraged to log on to the FINCOM Web site in order to complete the survey.

The per diem committee has determined that Korea will perform a Living Pattern Survey and Retail Price Survey on an annual basis for the next two years to determine a trend. Due to COLA being relatively new to Korea and Korea being predominantly a one-year tour, the per diem committee wants to determine if buying patterns will vary significantly with the rotation of personnel.

The primary focus of the 2005 survey is servicemembers with family in Korea. The data from this segment will comprise the core data. Equally important, however, is the supporting data received from unaccompanied personnel living both on and off post. Servicemembers newly arrived within the last three months or those residing in barracks are encouraged to log on to the FINCOM Web site to provide remarks for the survey only.

Although personnel living in barracks may not be eligible to complete the entire survey, “their remarks are important because they add another piece to the puzzle that helps the COLA survey construct the big picture,” said Sidney Keyes, Finance Policy Division, 175th Finance Command. “All

servicemembers are encouraged to take advantage of this opportunity to improve the COLA database so that the survey team can better serve everyone.”

Those taking the survey for the first time will be asked to provide information on the following issues: frequency of off-post shopping, names of off-post establishments frequented, expenses incurred by being stationed in Korea (such as phone cards or parking fees). Keyes said the most important aspect of the survey is to accurately reflect normal spending patterns.

Although COLA payment is decided by data based on family spending patterns, once COLA has been awarded to a region, all members regardless of their status will benefit. Thanks to the participation of over 99 percent of eligible personnel during the last survey, all USFK servicemembers are now eligible for COLA – with COLA rates based on rank, time in service, number of dependents, housing status and exchange rate.

With the same amount of support from military personnel and leadership, the per diem committee will be able to determine an equitable COLA index for Korea. Participation is the key element to success.

COLA information is available through the FINCOM Web site. The COLA survey will be online and accessible 24 hours a day from any computer with Internet access through the 175th Finance Command Web site at <http://175fincom.korea.army.mil/>.

### Armor

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to the improvised explosive devices to challenge coalition forces. “You name it and the enemy dreamed up a way to use it on our Soldiers,” Whitcomb said. The IEDs began having a “deadly effect” on soldiers, he added.

The first response was for local commanders to put armor on the vehicles. The situation begged for something better.

Armored Humvees were meant mainly for military police. But they were perfect for all troops in Iraq. First, the Army shipped all available armored Humvees to the Central Command region. Second, the service ramped up production from 30 per month to more than 400 per month.

Third, the service mass-produced Level 2 “add-on armor” for Humvees. This factory-produced armor replaces the glass in the vehicles and provides armor protection. The add-ons go on regular Humvees at two plants in Kuwait or another eight plants in Iraq. About 10,000 Humvees have Level 2 armor.

Also, there are now more than 6,000 Level 1 armored Humvees in the region today. Whitcomb said those are produced in a factory back in the states. “It essentially gives you protection, both glass and on the armament on the side,

front, rear, top and bottom,” he said. He likened Level 1 to “protection in a bubble.”

The requirement in Iraq is for 8,100 Level 1 Humvees. “With the production we have today, we will get there soon,” Whitcomb said.

But Humvees are only part of the story. Trucks and other wheeled vehicles need protection too. So the Army has developed Level 3 armor to attach to the families of trucks needed in the combat zone. To date, some 4,500 vehicles have been fitted with Level 3 armor.

There are 30,000 wheeled vehicles in Central Command. All but 8,000 have some form of armor protection. Many of those are tool vans and communications vans that have no need to leave a base camp. Whitcomb said Central Command “is in relatively good shape.”

The general said the last full brigade that deployed into Iraq – the 256th Infantry – had around 1,000 wheeled vehicles. Just under 1,000 had some level of protection on them. No Soldier is driving to Iraq in an unarmored vehicle, he said.

He said the goal is the same for the 278th Infantry and the 116th Infantry – the next two units that will deploy.

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## Korean business leaders visit U.S. troops

By David McNally

Area I Public Affairs Office

**RODRIGUEZ RANGE** — Second Infantry Division Soldiers spent some time in the field with a group of 20 Korean business leaders Monday at the Korea Training Center.

Dragon Force Soldiers, from the 2nd Battalion, 72nd Armor Regiment and the 2nd Battalion, 9th Infantry Regiment, explained their wartime capabilities with a briefing, live-fire and static display.

"This is a great event for the unit and the Soldiers," said Lt. Col. John Salvetti, the task force commander. "This gives my Soldiers the ability to see the relationship between our two countries continue to develop."

Salvetti said it was a unique opportunity to show how Korean Augmentation to the U.S. Army Soldiers work side-by-side with the Americans.

"I think the senior-business leaders will see the Korean Soldiers as an integral part of our unit," Salvetti said.

The Korean civilians are members of a new organization called the "Future Leaders of Korea."

"They are very young leaders of industry," said Hack Pyo, the group's organizer. "Most of the members were born after 1960. I think it is important for Korean business leaders to understand the importance of the alliance with the United States."



PHOTOS BY DAVID McNALLY

Chung Myong-sun, Hyundai Cement (left), stands atop an M1A1 Abrams Main Battle Tank with Sgt. Thomas Rinehart, Company C, 2nd Battalion, 72nd Armor Regiment.

Pyo organized and helped to facilitate the visit.

"I believe this will help to plant seeds for the future," Pyo said.

The organization hopes to repeat visits like this, Pyo said, to be able to interact with the U.S. Soldiers, and hear how they feel about being stationed in Korea.

After viewing a live-fire exercise from the control tower overlooking

Rodriguez Range, the civilians listened to a briefing on how the 2nd Infantry Division is organized to fight.

Later, they ate in the dining facility with a group of U.S. and Korean Soldiers, and offered a 20,000,000 Korean won donation to help support Morale, Welfare and Recreation programs for Soldiers in Korea.

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Elaine Kim, Design Group International president, sits in the driver's seat of an M1A1 Abrams Main Battle Tank Monday.



Dragon Force Soldiers prepare for a static display of their vehicles at Rodriguez Range.



Members of Future Leaders of Korea pose with 2nd Battalion, 72nd Armor Regiment Soldiers.

## Potential citizens seek U.S. immigration

By Pfc. Stephanie Pearson

Area I Public Affairs Office

**CAMP CASEY** — Army Community Services hosted an immigration and naturalization seminar Dec. 8 at the ACS classroom here.

"Our goal was to provide a workshop to military members and dependents on the immigration process and how to become a U.S. citizen," said Mary Cabiao, overseas immigration specialist.

The morning session focused on servicemembers and spouses who want to become naturalized U.S. citizens.

"I would say, based on the calls we get, there are about 20 – 30 Soldiers who apply for citizenship each month," Cabiao said.

She took participants through the steps of the naturalization process. Prospective applicants should first consider whether they meet the requirements to become a citizen; these requirements differ for servicemembers and spouses, but all who apply must be of good moral character, have an understanding of English and knowledge of U.S. history and government.

After filing an application for citizenship, each applicant must be interviewed by a naturalization official. During the interview, the applicant will be

placed under oath, have his paperwork reviewed, and be required to take an English-language and civic test. There are 10 questions on the civic test; the candidate must answer seven of the 10 questions correctly. A list of 100 questions and answers can be found on the immigration services Web site at [www.USCIS.gov](http://www.USCIS.gov).

After the interview process, individuals will be notified if they have been approved for citizenship. But, Cabiao warned, they do not actually become U.S. citizens until the swearing-in ceremony, which usually occurs a few days later.

The immigration process is more difficult, Cabiao explained in the afternoon session.

"Immigration is the process by which people live and reside in the United States without becoming citizens," she said.

This most often applies to foreign-born spouses of military members who want to accompany their spouses back to the United States. There is a lot of paperwork involved, Cabiao said, and it is important for applicants to make sure they have all their supporting documents with them when they apply. These include proof of their spouse's citizenship, a birth certificate translated in English, a marriage certificate, documents relating to the termination of previous marriages (of the applicant or spouse),

**"There are about 20-30 Soldiers who apply for citizenship each month."**

-Mary Cabiao

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## MWR staff attends team-building training

By Pfc. Stephanie Pearson

Area I Public Affairs Office

**CAMP RED CLOUD** — Twenty-two Area I civilian employees met Dec. 7 at Mitchell's Club for a Morale, Welfare and Recreation services team-building seminar.

The seminar introduced the employees to the Insight Personality Inventory, a personality test similar to the Myers-Briggs typology index. The IPI uses colors to help people identify distinctive personality traits; once they learn those traits, they can apply that knowledge to work better and resolve conflicts with others.

"The IPI, or colors workshop, was developed as a way to help people solve communication and relationship problems that occur from time to time in our lives," explained Linda Rieth, Area I Army Community Service director. "We are all involved in assessing how best to deal with others, whether it is in our family relationships, personal friendships or business matters. This tool offers a sound theoretical perspective into how people gather and process information to help ease our struggle in understanding those around us."

The IPI breaks personalities down into four

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## NEWS & NOTES

### Tree-lighting Ceremonies

Camp Red Cloud will hold a Christmas tree-lighting ceremony 5 p.m. today in front of the Area I headquarters building.

### Commissary Holiday Hours

The Camp Red Cloud Commissary will be open Monday and closed Dec. 25-26 and Jan. 1. Normal operating hours will resume Jan. 2.

### Dallas Cowboy Cheerleaders

The Dallas Cowboy cheerleaders will be at the Camp Stanley Physical Fitness Center at 7 p.m. Saturday for a performance and autograph signing.

### Holiday Ski Trips

■The Camp Page Recreation Center will feature a Kang Chon ski trip at 8 a.m. Dec. 25.

■The Camp Red Cloud Community Activity Center will host a Bears Town Ski Trip departing at 6 a.m. Dec. 26.

### Self-Improvement Classes

■Camp Casey Army Community Service will present a class in personal financial management at 1:30 -5 p.m. Monday.

■Camp Stanley ACS will host personal financial management at 1 - 4 p.m. Wednesday.

■Camp Page ACS will hold a remedial checkbook class 9 - 11:30 a.m. Wednesday.

■Camp Casey ACS will present a stress and anger management class 9 a.m. - 3 p.m. Wednesday.

### Camp Casey Newcomer's Orientation

The Camp Casey Army Community Service will hold a newcomer's orientation and welcome 8:15 a.m.-3 p.m. Tuesday and Dec. 28 in the ACS classroom. For information, or to reserve a seat, call 730-3104 or 730-3143.

### Warrior Band Concert

The 2nd Infantry Division Warrior Band holiday concert is at 7 p.m. Wednesday at the Uijeongbu Arts Center, near City Hall. For additional information, call Cpl. Lee Seung-joon at 732-6704.

### Sexual Assault Web Site

The Army launched a Web site at [www.sexualassault.army.mil](http://www.sexualassault.army.mil), to promote steps leaders and Soldiers at all levels can take to prevent and respond to instances of potential sexual assault. The site includes links to Training and Doctrine Command training materials.

### Mitchell's Holiday Events

Camp Red Cloud's Mitchell's Club will host the following holiday events:

■Country night, 8-11 p.m. Thursday, will feature country food, line-dancing contests and a live band.

■An all-you-can-eat Christmas buffet 2-7 p.m. Dec. 25 will cost \$8.95 per person.

■The New Year's celebration, all night Dec. 31, will feature a DJ, champagne, party favors, prizes and food. For tickets, call 732-8189.

### USO Christmas Giveaways

The Camp Casey USO will be giving away phone cards, gift certificates, free tours and other prizes through Dec. 24 as part of their "12 Days before Christmas Giveaway." Listen for Christmas trivia questions on Warrior Radio on 88.3 and 88.5 FM those days for a chance to win.

# BOSS sponsors shopping trip

## Detachment A, 509th Personnel Services Battalion

**ILSAN** — Sixty-one Camp Casey Soldiers went on a Dec. 4 holiday shopping trip for a Better Opportunities for Single and Unaccompanied Soldiers event.

The BOSS group sponsored the trip to a major Korean shopping destination many Americans would recognize: Wal-Mart Supercenter.

The Ilsan store is about a 90-minute drive from Camp Casey.

The company has international franchises, with 16 stores in the Republic of Korea.

"This gives Soldiers another option of Christmas shopping for their loved ones before the mailing deadline at the post office," said Staff Sgt. Jerome Harris, U.S. Army Garrison, Camp Casey BOSS president. "They can experience the Korean version of an American store Soldiers usually go to back home."

Many Soldiers felt it was a great way to be exposed to their host-country culture within the comfort of a familiar place.

"Some Soldiers thought it didn't make sense to go to Wal-Mart for a BOSS trip," said Pfc. Benteal Bosworth, Detachment A, 509th Personnel Services Battalion. "I thought it was great because it's one of the closest things to home we can find here in Korea."

The franchise entered the Korean market in July 1988. Wal-Mart originally designed their "supercenters" with the concept of saving customers time and money through a unique shopping experience.

"As the unit BOSS representative, I was responsible for promoting the trip to other Soldiers in my unit," Bosworth said. "I went to each person to see if they wanted to attend the trip."

For many considering themselves to be avid shoppers, the characteristics of this Wal-Mart mirrored those of the states in many areas.

"The prices were low, and the workers were friendly even with the language barrier," said Capt. Stacy Picard, 509th Personnel Services Battalion. "The only major difference for the American shoppers was the two-level floor plan, 100 Korean won charge to rent a shopping cart and checking in bags at the customer service desk."

Many products were labeled in Korean language, but because of unmistakable packaging, the American customers could figure out some products without fail.

"After all, who could forget Tony the Tiger from Frosted Flakes," Picard said.

The food court offered Korean, Chinese and American cuisine to include deep-dish pizza. Many Soldiers stopped for a bite to eat.

"Due to the number of bags being carried onto the buses by smiling customers, the trip can be considered a



PHOTO BY PVT. RICHARD VAZQUEZ

Capt. Stacy Picard, Detachment A, 509th Personnel Services Battalion, displays the fruits of a Dec. 4 BOSS shopping trip to Ilsan.

success for both BOSS and Wal-Mart," Picard said.

Soldiers on the trip said the cost for transportation was reasonable.

"The cost for this trip equals the amount one would spend by taking public transportation to get here," said Spc. Jon Atkins, 1st Battalion, 15th Field Artillery Regiment. "This BOSS trip also takes away the hassle of trying to find it."

"This is my first BOSS-sponsored trip," Atkins said. "I wanted to see what Korea has to offer outside of Camp Casey and the differences between the Wal-Mart here and the ones back home."

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## Immigration

fingerprints and government orders sending the spouse overseas.

"The biggest problem we see, when it comes to immigration, is applicants not having timely registered documents that are easily verifiable," Cabiao said. "Especially now, when the U.S. is concerned about terrorists (trying to get into the United States) this can cause a concern."

We try to hold this seminar every six months, said Tony Price, relocation program manager for Area I.

"We get people asking for information all the time," Price said. "It's an on-going need."

Price and Cabiao encouraged anyone who is considering naturalization and immigration to utilize the many resources available. The USCIS Web site offers information and answers to many naturalization and immigration questions, and servicemembers can go to their local ACS for help.

"The most important thing for applicants to remember is to have the knowledge they need and file the paperwork well ahead of time," Cabiao said. "Be prepared."

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Second Lieutenant Gustavo Paulino (left) and Capt. Shawn Wangerin, both from the 2nd Infantry Division's 2nd Engineer Brigade, learn about the naturalization and immigration process Dec. 8 at a Camp Casey seminar. Officials said hundreds of Warrior Country Soldiers and family members apply for U.S. citizenship annually.



# Stanley outlasts Red Cloud in overtime, 88-80

By Spc. Chris Stephens

2nd Infantry Division Public Affairs Office

**CAMP RED CLOUD** — With four seconds left in the game, Camp Stanley guard Alan Dupree, took a shot for the win, and came up empty, forcing overtime.

The Camp Stanley and Camp Red Cloud post basketball teams squared off in a rivalry game Dec. 5 at the Camp Red Cloud Physical Fitness Center as part of the 2nd Infantry Division's post basketball league.

Camp Stanley came out of the gates with a 13-3 run and didn't give the CRC team any chance to breathe.

"We knew we had to come out hard against this team," said Nicholas Courmen, Stanley's forward. "We couldn't take this team lightly because we knew that they could create trouble for us."

As the first half played itself out, the Stanley team looked to have full control of the game. But, the 15 team fouls they racked up in the first half came back later in the game to haunt them.

The Stanley team went into halftime with a 40-31 lead due to the CRC team missing a lot of free throws and not finishing inside.

"The missed free throws killed us," said CRC's guard Vincent Jackson. "That's what hurt us the whole game. If we could have made more free

throws, I feel the score would have been much different."

Once the second half started, the Stanley team began to impose their will on CRC, grabbing every loose ball and cleaning up on the glass. This helped the Stanley team grab a 20-point lead with 15 minutes to go in the game.

But, the lead didn't get CRC's hopes down. Although down, they knew they had a lot more in them.

"We started to dig in and box out more," Jackson said. "We fought for every loose ball and didn't give up."

The Stanley team started to run into trouble when two of their top scorers, Shredrick June and Trevor Alverado, fouled out before the halfway point of the second half.

"We were in foul trouble most of the game," Courmen said. "That hurt us in the end, because they (CRC) came back on us and almost won the game."

With about eight minutes left in the game the CRC team brought the score to within eight points with great defense and good transition, and continued to claw their way closer.

The Stanley team wasn't able to stop the bleeding until CRC took a one-point lead with 2:30 left in the game.

With the score tied at 71, Dupree tried the last shot to win the game, but came up short, forcing overtime.



PHOTO BY SPC. CHRIS STEPHENS

Two Camp Red Cloud players go up for a rebound during the first half.

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## Happy Holidays

### Camp Red Cloud Holiday Activities

- Christmas Holiday Invitational Volleyball, Racquetball & 3-on-3 Basketball tournaments will be held 1-10 p.m. Monday through Dec. 31 at the CRC Physical Fitness Center.
- Check out "Christmas with the Kranks" at 7 p.m. Monday at the CRC Theater.
- It's Korean Game Night at the Community Activity Center starting at 6 p.m. Tuesday.
- "Team America: World Police" debuts at the CRC Theater 7 p.m. Tuesday.
- Look for an aerobics class 6-7 p.m. Tuesday and Thursday at the CRC Physical Fitness Center.
- There will be a meeting of Better Opportunities for Single and Unaccompanied Soldiers 1:30 p.m. Wednesday at the CRC Community Activities Center.
- The country rock band "Kendrick" will perform 8-11 p.m. Thursday at Mitchell's.
- Join the CRC community for a 9-ball tournament 6 p.m. Friday at the CAC.
- A Christmas celebration is scheduled for 1 p.m. Christmas Day at the CRC Community Activity Center.
- The featured movie "Surviving Christmas" is at 7 and 9 p.m. Dec. 25 at the theater.

### Camp Stanley Holiday Activities

- "Team America: World Police" debuts at the Camp Stanley Theater 7 p.m. tonight.
- Learn tae kwon do tonight through Dec. 24 6-7:30 p.m. at the Camp Stanley Physical Fitness Center.

- Christmas Holiday Invitational Volleyball, Racquetball and 3-on-3 Basketball tournaments will be held 1-10 p.m. Monday through Dec. 31 at the Camp Stanley Physical Fitness Center.
- There will be a meeting of Better Opportunities for Single and Unaccompanied Soldiers 10 a.m. Tuesday at the Community Activities Center.
- The featured movie "Surviving Christmas" is at 7 p.m. Tuesday at the theater.
- BOSS hosts, "Adopt a child for Christmas" 1 p.m. Friday at the CAC.
- There is a BOSS holiday dance 9 p.m. Dec. 25 at the fitness center.

### Camp Casey Holiday Activities

- Christmas Special unit-level basketball tournament will be held 1p.m. Monday through Dec. 26 at the Hanson Field House.
- Go for free snacks at 5 p.m. Wednesday at Primo's Express.
- It's Karaoke Night starting at 7 p.m. Wednesday at Warrior's Club.
- It's USO League Bowling 6-8 p.m. Wednesday at the bowling center.
- The "Intensity Band" plays the Warrior Club 8-11 p.m. Wednesday.
- Check out "Christmas with the Kranks" at 6:30 and 8:30 p.m. Thursday at the Camp Casey Theater.
- There will be a Chicken Wings Night 5-7 p.m. Thursday at the Indianhead Clubhouse.
- Join the Casey Golf Course Restaurant for a Christmas lunch special 11 a.m.-5 p.m. Dec. 25.
- For a "home-made" Christmas meal, stop by the Warrior's Club 11 a.m.-9 p.m. Dec. 25.
- Primo's Express features holiday entertainment with the "Intensity Band" starting at 8 p.m. Dec. 25.

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color categories: gold, green, blue and orange. Gold personalities tend to prefer structure and order; greens value thinking and analyzing; blues are typically emotional "feelers," and oranges like fun and excitement.

The conference started with each participant taking the personality test to figure out their color; then they broke off into groups by color to discuss their values, leisure activities, ideal jobs and what motivates them.

Once they assembled their list, the groups made presentations so that each could understand the thought processes of the others.

"It helps people understand how and why people think differently, and how you can use that knowledge to increase productivity, readiness and retention," Rieth explained. "It allows you to see what talents and gifts each employee has, so you can more fully utilize their skills."

For example, she said, people with orange personalities tend to be very creative and think out-of-the-box, so if a manager needs those qualities in a project, he should utilize an orange in his staff. If he required someone very organized and methodical, he should look for a gold personality.

"This was one of the most informative classes I've had in a long time," said Charles Lyons, Area I family readiness coordinator. "It explained why certain people react to certain things, and has taught me to be more understanding and patient. Working at ACS, I encounter a lot of different personalities that I need to understand in order to resolve a situation. I feel this will help me."

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But, that wouldn't be Dupree's last chance to do something.

After taking a two-point lead in overtime, the Stanley team got a defensive stop and got the ball to Dupree in the corner who shot, made the 3 and was fouled. He hit the free throw completing the four-point play and put a dagger into CRC.

"The shot (Dupree) hit was a big one," Courmen said. "Big players make big plays and the critical times, and that's what he did."

CRC was unable to comeback from this deficit and lost the game 88-80.

Leading scorers for the game were Jackson with 30 points and Courmen with 19 points. Courmen also pulled down 13 rebounds.

"We pulled out a big win," Courmen said. "We now need to keep this momentum and take it with us the rest of the season."

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Above: Camp Stanley guard Trevor Alverado looks for the open man.

Right: Camp Stanley forward Nicholas Courmen rises above his defender to put the ball in the hoop during first-half action Dec. 5 at the Camp Red Cloud Physical Fitness Center.



## Holiday cookies



PHOTO BY DAVID McNALLY

Pear Blossom Cottage volunteer Myung Hyun Reyes prepares cookies Dec. 9 at Camp Red Cloud. Volunteers baked hundreds of holiday cookies for presentation Monday at a Uljeongbu orphanage.

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## Christmas and New Year Holiday safety message

By Timothy K. McNulty  
Area II Support Activity, Commander,

**YONGSAN** – As we move closer to the holiday season, many of us will make arrangements to celebrate with our friends and families. Often, our plans will require us to travel long distances to reach our destination. At this time of the year, experience has shown the local highways may be more hazardous because of increased holiday traffic, extended hours of darkness and inclement weather.



McNulty

The holiday season is a two-week period that includes both Christmas and New Year's Day. Because of our diversified backgrounds, cultures and nationalities, many of us will celebrate these special days in different ways, with extended hours. With that in mind, take the time to rest before long trips, with rest intervals after every two hours of driving. It is important to remember that we in Area II are a family. I personally care for the safety and well being of each of you.

Also, remember not to drink and drive. Alcohol-related crashes are the number one cause of preventable traffic fatalities. And be conscientious of the use of seatbelts for all vehicle occupants both in the front and in the back seat.

Reduce driving speeds when encountering conditions such as fog, ice, or wet roads. And please don't be like other drivers on the road by driving aggressively. Drive safe. Be safe. And be courteous. Remember ... they don't see you, our host nation sees an American.

I sincerely wish every Area II Soldier, sailor, airmen, Marine, Defense Department civilian, contractors and their family members a wonderful holiday season and a safe and prosperous New Year. You have worked hard all year long and have earned this time off. I want you to spend as much time as possible with your families and loved ones and enjoy this important time of the year. Remember, you are all important members of our community family. Let's all have a safe holiday season.

## 1st Signal Brigade Soldiers learn climbing safety

By Spc. Stephen Rosendale  
36th Signal Battalion

**YONGSAN** – The 1st Signal Brigade conducted some unique training around Yongsan Nov. 15-20.

About 20 Soldiers and members of the Yongsan Fire Department went through a basic tower climbing and rescue course designed to mitigate one of the more dangerous aspects of signal operations.

The training, provided by Gravitec Systems, Inc., a fall protection training company based in Washington state, covered various types of fall protection, fall arrest, and basic rescue techniques.

Fred Schillref, chief instructor for Gravitec, said the course gave a basic understanding of preventing falls and some initial responses to a trapped climber. He said the idea is to prevent accidents, but, if one should occur, be able to start rescue efforts right away instead of waiting for an outside agency to arrive.

The first day was spent in the classroom covering basic techniques and equipment operation.

"What we want to do is develop the right thought process," Schillref said. "We want them to have a plan before anyone leaves the ground. That way they can enact a plan, rather than react to a situation or emotion."

The remaining four days were spent practicing classroom techniques at signal towers on South Post, Main Post and Camp Morse on Namsan.

The main emphasis was on suspended rescues. A suspended rescue is a scenario in which both the victim and the rescuer are suspended in the air. The greatest advantage to the suspended rescue is its versatility. These techniques can be applied to every situation where a victim must be raised or lowered from any part of the tower.

Suspended rescue techniques number in the thousands. There are numerous applications, knots, descent methods, anchoring methods, improvised systems, patient



PHOTO BY SPC. STEPHEN ROSENDALE

Chief Warrant Officer Tracy Fayard raises another Soldier during the basic rescue portion of tower training at 201st Signal Company Nov. 15. The training was part of a five-day course that taught about 20 Soldiers and civilians and members of the Yongsan Fire Department basic climbing safety and rescue.

packaging, hardware and harness varieties available.

The main system used during the training was just a rope, harness and a pulley system. The instructors determined that this method was the most flexible for a variety of situations likely to be encountered locally.

Although the training is somewhat unusual, some of the Soldiers adapted to it.

"We don't get to do things like this very often," said Spc. James Steele, a microwave transmission systems

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## Marriage in Korea: Things Soldiers should know

By Sharmon Lebby  
Area II Public Affairs Office

**YONGSAN** – Two years ago, a love story began. Though she was a teacher in Busan, more than a day's drive from Seoul, and he was a U.S. sailor stationed here at Yongsan Army Garrison, they managed to carry on a long-distance relationship that eventually will lead to marriage in spring 2005.

We continue our Holiday marriage series to outline remaining steps an American needs to take when considering marriage with a foreigner.

### What happens after the physical?

After finishing the physical portion of the application process, schedule a second counseling interview with the unit commander. The unit commander will counsel the applicant alone and obtain their signature on the USFK Form 166, "Affidavit of Acknowledgement." The intended spouse will not attend this



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session. The second counseling session is not required for applicants who wish to withdraw their applications.

Upon completion of the background check, forward all required documents including the results of the background investigation, through military channels to the approval authority. For the U.S. Army, it is Commander, 8th Personnel Command, Attn: EAPC-P-PA-M, APO AP 96205-0089 (Tel: 724-6532).

After the application has been returned,

visit the legal assistance office for final legal review of the marriage packet. After the review, go to the Korean Ward office and the U.S. Embassy.

Petty Officer 2nd Class David McKee emphasized that it is very important to initiate the process very early.

"It is also important to plan this process in advance, because the process can take several months and can be costly," McKee said, "With all the paperwork fees and physicals, I think I'm out about \$400."

### To whom does USFK 600-240 apply?

USFK 600-240 applies to all military personnel on active duty while in Korea regardless of their unit assignment. The regulation has, however, been rescinded for the U.S. Army.

### Who is the approval authority?

The approval authorities for applications for authorization to marry in the ROK are:

- Commander, 8th Personnel
- See "Marriage" on Page 11



## NEWS & NOTES

### Commander's Hotline

Do you have comments or questions? E-mail areaitownhall@korea.army.mil or call 738-5017.

### New Hours at Yongsan Commissary

The Yongsan Commissary have special holiday hours.

Monday	Open	10 a.m. - 7 p.m.
Dec. 24	Open	10 a.m. - 6 p.m.
Dec. 25 - 26	Closed	
Dec. 27	Open	10 a.m. - 7 p.m.
Dec. 31	Open	10 a.m. - 6 p.m.
Jan. 1	Closed	

### Santa's Mail Bag

Parents and children are recommended to send letters to Santa via the following address: Santa's Mail Bag 354th OSS/OSW 2827 Flightline Ave, Suite 100B Eielson AFB, Alaska 99702-1520.

### Free DMZ/JSA Tour for Students

Visiting and/in-country high school and college students of DoD military and civilian personnel, Department of State and DoDDS employees in Korea are invited to a free tour of the DMZ and Joint Security Area 9:45 a.m. - 6:30 p.m., Dec. 30. Program includes historical briefings and tours of Tunnel #3, Observation Post Dora, Camp Bonifas and Panmunjeom. For information, call 723-4685 or e-mail deleonc@usfk.korea.army.mil.

### Military Post Office Closures

All Army Main Post Offices will be closed on the following dates.

Dec. 24	-	Federal Holiday
Dec. 25	-	Christmas Day
Dec. 27	-	USFK Training Holiday
Dec. 31	-	Federal Holiday
Jan. 1	-	New Year's Day
Jan. 3	-	USFK Training Holiday

### Team Training

The 38th Medical Detachment will provide a 40-hour field sanitation team training Jan. 10-14, Mar. 21-25 and May. 9-13 in Area II. For information, call 724-6276 or e-mail Cheryl.Featherstone@kor.amedd.army.mil

### Job vacancy For Inspector General

The Inspector General's office for 8th U.S. Army and USFK are looking for qualified Soldiers, sergeant first class or promotable in the following specialties: 42L, 42A, 11B, 31B, and 31K. Also, captains to lieutenant colonels are encouraged to apply. For information, call 723-4007 or e-mail bryants@korea.army.mil.

### Security Manager's Course

MSC primary and alternate security manager's course will be 8:30 a.m. to noon, Jan. 21, in Building 2462. For information, call 723-6845 or 723-3378.

### No-Host Benny Havens Social

All West Point graduates are invited to a no-host Benny Havens Social March 5 at the Dragon Hill Lodge. For information, e-mail RoundsM@korea.army.mil or Curriera@korea.army.mil.

# Korean children prepare gifts for 2ID Soldiers in Iraq

By Chief Warrant Officer Teddy C. Datuin

1st Signal Brigade

**YONGSAN** – As busy as Santa's little elves, more than 20 Korean children from the Korean Community Center wrapped Christmas packages Dec. 5 for 2nd Infantry Division Soldiers who are destined for Iraq. The Korean Community Center is located just outside Yongsan South Post Gate 19.

Helping out the Korean children were 10 Area II residents—six adults and four children.

With little assistance from their mothers and from a small group of Americans, the Korean children, like 13-year-old Lee Su-hwan, wrote "Merry Christmas and Happy New Year" on greeting cards addressed to "2ID Soldiers in Iraq."

During the day the Korean children, with the help of their mothers and other American adults, constructed 70 packages in less than 2 hours.

Each package consisted of Korean moon pies, chocolates, coffee mixes and a greeting card.

One of the Korean mothers, Laura Huh expressed how happy the children were to participate in such an important endeavor.

"This is an important big event for us to help out, even though it is only a little thing for us to do," said Huh. "I hope all the Soldiers will be safe and that they enjoy the holidays."

The children are part of a larger group of Korean children taking English-language classes on Saturdays and Sundays at the Korean Community Center. The English-language program, sponsored by the Seoul Metropolitan Government, is managed by Michael Lee, a long time Yongsan ACS Korean-language instructor and Headstart program coordinator. All the English-language instructors are U.S. military and civilian volunteers. Lee was responsible for organizing the Sunday's gift wrapping and greeting-card writing.

"This is a great opportunity for community development, having local Korean children and their mothers put together care packages for some Soldiers in Iraq," said Spc. Erik McCulley, a video specialist with Installation Management Agency and one of the volunteer-English teachers for the



PHOTO BY SANDY FLINT

Korean Children wrap gifts with their friends for 2nd Infantry Division Soldiers serving in Iraq.

Korean children.

Sandy Flint, one of the volunteer English teachers, for the Korean mothers said she was honored to be part of the Sunday event.

"It is a win-win situation, for the Soldiers receiving the gifts and for the Korean-American friendships fostered through participation in today's event," said Flint. "There are people all over the world that care about their (Soldiers) safety, and the South Korean people are definitely no exception."

The packages were delivered that Sunday afternoon by Lee and the small group of Americans.

For information on volunteering as an English language teacher for Korean children and mothers, call Michael Lee at 738-7999 or 010-6325-0765.

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## Climbing

operator-maintainer with Headquarters Detachment, 36th Signal Battalion. "It's not that hard. It's not much different than rock climbing."

Schillref said the basic competency

the instruction team was trying to impart to the students was recognizing predictable hazards. By the end of the course, he said he could recognize competency developing.

"There's a whole thought process

that goes into rescue," Schillref said. "You can see it in the way they check each other out (before a climb). They know what they're doing."

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# Children say 'Merry Christmas!'



PHOTO BY PFC. SEO KI CHUL

While holding bright, red Christmas ornaments in each of their hands, the young ladies in the choir sang holiday melodies like, "Joy to the World," and "Silent Night, Holy Night," during a performance before Area II residents at South Post Chapel, Yongsan Army Garrison.

By Pfc. Seo Kichul

Area II Public Affairs Office

**YONGSAN** – The Far East Broadcasting Children's Choir performed hymns and many Christmas carols in appreciation of the U.S. service members Dec. 5 in South Post Chapel.

"The event was a great success and I'm sure everyone enjoyed the evening," said Pastor Billy Kim, a renowned evangelist and broadcaster. "I hope that the relationship of both countries continue to grow closer in years to come."



## Marriage

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Command for all Army personnel.

■ Commander, 7th Air Force for all Air Force personnel. Authority may be further delegated to the Chief, Military Personnel Branch of the 51st Combat Support Group and the 8th Combat Support Group by the Commander, 7th AF.

■ Commander, U.S. Naval Forces Korea for all Navy personnel.

■ Commander, Marine Corps Forces Korea for all Marines.

### What if I'm a civilian?

A civilian would simply follow the process set by the U.S. Embassy. This includes completing several forms for themselves and their intended spouse. Once the appropriate forms have been compiled, they are taken to the embassy to be notarized and authenticated. The steps taken at the embassy can be completed within a few hours. This information can be found on the embassy's Web site: <http://usembassy.state.gov/seoul/www2510.html#ward>

### What if my fiancée is a non-US citizen but not Korean?

If your fiancée is from a country other than Korea you must visit the embassy of that country to obtain the official marriage documents. Your fiancée will need their passport. If the intended spouse is from Russia or Ukraine, they will need an access memorandum to enter the USFK Installation, in accordance with Chapter 6, USFK Regulation 190-7.

### What are the steps that I need to take for my Korean fiancée?

There are several documents a Korean National must obtain to initiate the marriage process:

■ Three copies in Korean and one in English of the Family Census Register issued within three months

of the proposed marriage date.

■ Valid Korean identification card and name stamp.

■ Two witnesses' name stamps/seals, their Korean addresses, and their Korean Identification Numbers.

■ Proof of termination of any prior marriage(s). This is often shown on the Family Census Register.

■ Written permission to marry from both parents if the Korean spouse is under the age of 20.

More detailed information can be acquired at the Local Ward Office. These papers typically take 2-3 months to process.

The most important thing is to understand the culture and customs. "The Korean Society is tight-knit and homogenous," said McKee.

McKee is from the state of Washington and estimates his hometown is 12-15 percent Korean. On a recent trip home, he took pictures to show his fiancée that she wouldn't be completely isolated from her culture.

The U.S. Embassy also has a Web site that answers many questions. It's important to remember, though, if you are a military member you should first consult your commander before initiating the processes. There are also several agencies that will gather the necessary paperwork for you, for a fee, saving you a lot of time.

"The most time-consuming element is the running around to the different agencies. For someone who's never been outside Itaewon, it can be kind of daunting," said McKee.

Though he wasn't fond of the paperwork, he believes it's for a good reason.

In his opinion, McKee said, "Being in Korea can be lonely, so it's good that you can't just run out and get married. It really gives you a chance to think over the decision you're making. Someone with any reservations probably wouldn't make it through all the paperwork."

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## Experience Greater Seoul

### USO Tours

- Ski Tour – 6:30 a.m. - 9 p.m., Saturday
- Shilluk Temple(Mokah Buddhist Museum) – 8 a.m. - 4 p.m., Sunday
- Yousung Hot Spring Overnight Tour – Thursday - Dec. 24

For information, call the Seoul USO office at (02)-792-3380 or go [www.uso.org/korea/](http://www.uso.org/korea/)

### Royal Asiatic Tour

- Magok-sa and Kakwon-sa Temple Tour – Saturday
- Kyeryong-san National Park Hiking Tour – Sunday
- Tour to Cambodia or Myanmar – Dec. 27 - 31
- Pugak Skyway Drive & In-wangsan Hike – Jan. 8

For information, call (02)-763-9483 or visit the Web site about Royal Asiatic Society events.

### Entertainment

■ Concert – Mozart Festival Concert will be 3 p.m. on Saturday in Recital Hall at Seoul Arts Center.

■ Concert – Seoul Motet Choir Subscription Concert will be 8 p.m. Tuesday in Concert Hall at Seoul Arts Center. For information, call (02)-523-7295

■ Dance – Dance 'Dream of Air' will be 8 p.m. on Thursday and 6 p.m. Dec. 24 in Jayu Theater at Seoul Arts Center. For more information, call (02)-521-8476





## Community Events, Classes and Meetings

### Scholarship application for NCOA Scholarship

The Non-commissioned Officers Association, Dragon Hill Chapter #1507, offers competitive scholarships to eligible students who have not or will not receive a larger scholarship from another source. Mail all documentation in one complete packet to Non-commissioned Officers Association: The Dragon Hill Chapter NCOA Scholarship Fund, PAS #450 Box 705, APO AP 96206-0705.

### Health and Safety Services

There are a variety of courses scheduled by American Red Cross. One program is baby-sitting, 9 a.m. - 3 p.m., Saturday. To sign up, go to the ARC office upstairs in the Moyer Community

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Services Center. For information, call 738-3760.

### Become a better speaker

Learn to become a better speaker through Toastmasters, every Tuesday, 7 p.m., held at the Moyer Community Services Center, 2nd Floor Red Cross conference room. For information, call 011-9228-4175 or e-mail [mnettrour@mailblocks.com](mailto:mnettrour@mailblocks.com). Toastmasters is a public speaking club: dedicated to improving member's public speaking and leadership abilities. You can find out more about Toastmasters, by visiting their Web site, <http://www.toastmasters.org>.

### Become a Weight Management member

Yongsan Weight Management Group is now accepting members. This is a weight management support group open to everyone. Meetings are at 6:30 p.m. Wednesday on the 1st and 3rd Wednesdays. For information, contact Jennifer Jones at 011-9699-7064 or [nannyhere@yahoo.com](mailto:nannyhere@yahoo.com)

### American Projects Program

The Armed Forces Spouses' Club seeks to support worthy projects or needs. Through its American Projects program, AFSC donates to organizations serving the USFK population who reside in the

community. To submit a request call the AFSC American Projects Chairperson, Nancy Donahue at 736-5236 or e-mail [AFSCAmericanProjects@yahoo.com](mailto:AFSCAmericanProjects@yahoo.com).

### Royal Asiatic Society

Lecture meetings are held in the Daewoo Building, 8th Floor (near Seoul Train Station). For more information, call 02-763-9483 or go to [www.raskorea.com](http://www.raskorea.com).

### Quit smoking

Smoking Cessation Clinic hosts new groups every month for four one-hour group sessions. Medication is an option with all four classes. Free to participants and self-referral preferred. For information, call 736-6693 or e-mail [Ok.Suh@kor.amedd.army.mil](mailto:Ok.Suh@kor.amedd.army.mil).

### Support group meeting for people overweight

Weight management support group meetings are 6:30 p.m. to 7 p.m. the first and third Mondays of each month. For information call 736-3029 or 736-6693.

## Religious activities

### Learn to be a better husband and leader

The Men of the Morning Calm

holds Bible studies for Area II men who want to learn to be better husbands and leaders in their community. Bible studies are held at the South Post Chapel 6 a.m. every Tuesday. Also, there is a men's breakfast 8 a.m. on the first Saturday of each month at the South Post Chapel. For information, e-mail [ay.grandin@us.army.mil](mailto:ay.grandin@us.army.mil).

### Club Beyond Youth Ministry

Club beyond host many different activities and Bible studies for High/Middle School-aged children every week at Yongsan Army Garrison and Hannam Village. For information, call 011-9685-4170 or 3785-1954 or e-mail [youthrev2001@yahoo.com](mailto:youthrev2001@yahoo.com).

### Yongsan Baptist Church

Yongsan Baptist Church offers Tuesday Bible study, 7 p.m., Wednesday service, 7 p.m., and Sunday services, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m. For information, call 011-731-0573, e-mail [pastor@yongsanbaptist.org](mailto:pastor@yongsanbaptist.org) or go to [www.yongsanbaptist.org](http://www.yongsanbaptist.org).

### Bible study

A weekly Bible study, "The Word and Christian Issues," 7 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. every Friday at the South Post Chapel. For information, call 018-310-5178.

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HENRY 766-7724	Team America: World Police	Spongebob Squarepants Movie	National Treasure	Spongebob Squarepants Movie	No Show	Superbabies: Baby Geniuses 2	No Show
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**SpongeBob Squarepants Movie** — There's trouble brewing in Bikini Bottom. Someone has stolen King Neptune's crown, and it looks like Mr. Krab, SpongeBob's boss, is the culprit. Though he's just been passed over for the promotion of his dreams, SpongeBob stands by his boss, and along with his best pal Patrick, sets out on a treacherous mission to Shell City to reclaim the crown and save Mr. Krab's life.



**Shark Tale** — The sea underworld is shaken up when the son of the shark mob boss is found dead and a young fish named Oscar is found at the scene. Oscar takes advantage of the situation and makes himself look like he killed the finned mobster. Oscar soon comes to realize that his claim may have serious consequences.



**Surviving Christmas** — Facing another Christmas alone, Drew decides to go back to his idyllic childhood home to spend the holidays with family. There is, however, one problem: the people living there now are not Drew's family. Nevertheless, Drew has his mind set on an old-fashioned family Christmas, and the fact that the "family" in question, the Valcos, are complete strangers, isn't about to put a crimp in his plans.



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AAFES THEATER	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY
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PAGE 721-5499	No Show	No Show	No Show	No Show	No Show	No Show	No Show
RED CLOUD 732-6620	Alexander	Team America: World Police	Christmas with the Kranks	Christmas with the Kranks	Team America: World Police	No Show	Closer
STANLEY 732-5565	Friday Night Lights	Christmas with the Kranks	Team America: World Police	Team America: World Police	No Show	Closer	Surviving Christmas
YONGSAN I 735-7359	Closer	Closer	Closer	Team America: World Police	Team America: World Police	Team America: World Police	Team America: World Police
YONGSAN II 735-7359	Shark Tale	Shark Tale	Shark Tale	Ladder 49	Ladder 49	First Daughter	First Daughter
YONGSAN III 735-7359	Shark Tale	Shark Tale	Shark Tale	Princess Diaries 2	Surviving Christmas	Yu-Gi-Oh! The Movie	Yu-Gi-Oh! The Movie



# Current struggle requires patience, active waiting

**Chaplain (Capt.) Robert C. Gresser**  
36th Signal Battalion

Hear the words of the Prophet Isaiah: “He will judge between the nations and will settle disputes for many peoples. They will beat their swords into plowshares and their spears into pruning hooks. Nation will not take up sword against nation, nor will they train for war anymore.” (Isaiah 2:4)

What a wonderful thing: universal justice and peace. But it hasn’t happened yet. This is the time of year many Christians call Advent. Advent is a time of waiting. It is the time when we acknowledge that all is not fulfilled; all is not as it should be.

Lately, however, it seems as if the wait, the longing for universal justice and peace is all the more difficult. The day of fulfillment seems farther away today than it was

yesterday. We are a nation at war. Obviously, this is not the time for beating swords into plowshares and spears into pruning hooks. The prophet Joel writes, “Beat your plowshares into swords and your pruning hooks into spears. Let the weakling say, ‘I am strong!’” (Joel 3:10)

This may be a difficult pill to swallow, especially here on the Korean peninsula where we may be lulled into thinking that the current war on terrorism does not affect us, that somehow we have our own war to fight, one that is separate from the overall struggle against terrorism. Locking ourselves in a cocoon and ignoring the struggle is not the type of waiting our faith demands of us. Our faith demands active waiting.

The current struggle against injustice and terrorism, against cowardly persons and evil tyrants, is a struggle, I believe, sanctioned by the Almighty, the God of Justice. The same God who promises peace (Isaiah) is the same

God who sanctions war (Joel), war in the name of justice and war with the goal of an equitable and lasting peace. Furthermore, this God, our God, calls us to be agents in the struggle against evil.

In my opinion, we must fight and we must wait. We must fight. Joel’s words are words for today! We should not shirk our duties as Soldiers of our country or as Soldiers in the kingdom of God. Struggle against evil is a struggle sanctioned by God.

Nevertheless, we must wait. In our struggle, we must always realize that it is God who has, who is, and who will bring the ultimate victory. We should not lose hope in our struggle. Victory is assured. The words of Isaiah will come to pass.

Let us fight and let us wait, not with impatience or despair, but with the assurance of a just cause and the confidence of ultimate victory.

Holiday Worship Services*					
<u>Area I</u>		<u>Area II</u>			
<u>Camp Red Cloud</u>		<u>Catholic</u>		New Year Renewal Service (UPCI) 1:30 p.m. Jan. 2	
Candlelight Service	6:30 p.m. Dec. 24	Christmas Eve Family Mass	4 p.m. Dec. 24	Call 738-3011 for information	
Catholic Mass	9 a.m. Dec. 25	Christmas Carols and Midnight Mass	11:30 p.m. Dec. 24	<u>Area III</u>	
Christmas Service	11 a.m. Dec. 25	Christmas Mass	9 a.m. Dec. 25	Christmas Eve Candlelight Service	6:30 p.m. Dec. 24
Christmas Service	1 p.m. Dec. 25	New Year's Day Mass	9 a.m. Jan 1	Christmas Mass	10 a.m. Dec. 25
Call 732-7998 for information		<u>Episcopal</u>		<u>Area IV</u>	
<u>Camp Stanley</u>		Christmas Holy Eucharist	6 p.m. Dec. 24	<u>Camp Hialeah</u>	
Gospel Extravaganza	6 p.m. Dec. 18 at Reggie's	<u>Collective Protestant</u>		Christmas Service	Dec. 24
Candlelight Service	7 p.m. Dec. 24	Foot Washing Service (UPCI)	1:30 p.m. Dec. 19	<u>Camp Carroll</u>	
Midnight Mass	11 p.m. Dec. 24	Christmas Eve Candlelight Service	6:30 p.m. Dec. 24	Christmas Eve Candlelight Service	7 p.m. Dec. 24
Christmas Mass	6 p.m. Dec. 25	Christmas Eve Service (ROK)	7 p.m. Dec. 24	<u>Camp Walker</u>	
Christmas Service (Protestant)	11 a.m. Dec. 26	Christmas Eve Candlelight Service	7 p.m. Dec. 24	Children's Mass	5 p.m. Dec. 24
Christmas Service (Gospel)	1 p.m. Dec. 26	Christmas Eve Candlelight Service	9 p.m. Dec. 24	Candlelight Service (Protestant)	7 p.m. Dec. 24
Christmas Service	6 p.m. Dec. 26	Watchnight Service	9 p.m. Dec. 31	Midnight Mass (Catholic)	10 p.m. Dec. 24
Call 732-5121 for information		Watchnight Service	11 p.m. Dec. 31		
*Not all services listed. Contact your chaplain for additional holiday services and locations					

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# So just who is this Santa Claus guy anyway?



The modern Santa Claus is a composite character made up from the merging of two quite separate figures. The first of these is Saint Nicholas of Myra, a bishop of Byzantine Anatolia (now in modern-day Turkey) famous for his generous gifts to the poor. In Europe he is still portrayed as a bearded bishop in canonical robes. The second character is Father Christmas, which remains the British name for Santa Claus. Father Christmas dates back at least as far as the 17th century in Britain, and pictures of him survive from that era, portraying him as a well-nourished bearded man dressed in a long, green, fur-lined robe. He typified the spirit of good cheer at Christmas, and was reflected in the “Spirit of Christmas Present” in Charles Dickens’ famous story, *A Christmas Carol*.

When the Dutch still owned the land that later became New York, they brought the Saint Nicholas’ eve legend with them to the Americas, but without the red mantle and other symbols. The name Santa Claus is derived from the character’s Dutch name, Sinterklaas. Note that in Dutch, the feast is called ‘sinterklass feest’ and it celebrates the birthday of sinterklaas during sinterklaas

avond (“sinterklaas’s evening”) on December 5 or in Belgium, on December 6.

In Washington Irving’s *History of New York*, Sinterklaas was Americanized to “Santa Claus” but lost his bishop’s apparel, and was at first pictured as a thick-bellied Dutch sailor with a pipe in a green winter coat. Irving’s book was a lampoon of the Dutch culture in New York, and much of this portrait is his joking invention. Santa Claus appeared in various-colored costumes as he gradually became amalgamated with the figure of Father Christmas, but red soon became popular after he appeared wearing such on an 1885 Christmas card. His horse was converted to reindeer and a sleigh, the black peters (which were in fact Moorish slaves) were converted to elves, and, in an attempt to move the origin of the festivities away from their pagan background to a more Christian one, the date was moved forward a few weeks to the celebrated day of the birth of Jesus: Christmas.

In the United States, the tradition is to leave Santa a glass of milk and cookies; in Britain, he is given whisky and mince pies instead. British children also leave out a carrot for Rudolph, Santa’s reindeer, and are told that if they are not good all year round, they

will receive coal in their stockings. Children following the Dutch custom for sinterklaas will “put out their shoe” — that is, leave hay and a carrot for his horse in a shoe before going to bed — sometimes weeks before the sinterklaas avond. The next morning they will find the hay and carrot replaced by a gift; often, this is a March pane figurine. Naughty children were once told that they would be left a roe (a bundle of sticks) instead of sweets, but this practice has been discontinued.

Many postal services allow children to send letters to Santa Claus pleading their good behaviour and requesting gifts; these letters may be answered by postal workers or other volunteers. (Canada Post has a special postal code for letters to Santa Claus: H0H 0H0.)

Historically, one of the first artists to capture Santa Claus’ image as we know him today was Thomas Nast, an American cartoonist of the 19th century. In 1862, a picture of Santa illustrated by Nast appeared in *Harper’s Weekly*. It is believed the inspiration for his image came from a mythical German character called Pelznickel (Furry Nicholas) who visited naughty children in their sleep. The

book *A History of Santa Claus* was written by L. Frank Baum, the same man who wrote the *Wizard of Oz*. In Scandinavia, the Tomte is closely associated with Christmas, kindness and generosity. This blend of Nicholas of Myra and North European folklore helped popularize the design of Santa. (Urban legend has it that Santa Claus in his current guise was in fact created by Coca-Cola, though this is highly unlikely.) To this day, Santa Claus still appears on Coca-Cola products each year around Christmastime.

The depiction of Santa at the North Pole also reflected popular opinion about industry. In some images of the early 1900s, Santa was depicted as personally making his toys by hand in a small workshop like a craftsman. Eventually, the idea emerged that he had numerous elves responsible for making the toys, but the toys were still handmade by each individual elf working in the traditional manner. By the end of the century, the reality of mass mechanized production became more fully accepted by the Western public. That shift was reflected in the modern depiction of Santa’s residence—now often humorously portrayed as a fully mechanized production facility, equipped with the latest manufacturing technology, and overseen by the elves with Santa and Mrs. Claus as managers. Many TV commercials depict this as a sort of humorous business, with Santa’s elves acting as a sometimes mischievously disgruntled workforce, cracking jokes and pulling pranks on their boss.

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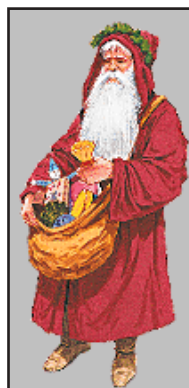
There are variations on Santa’s appearance, based upon the region he’s set in. Here are a few:



St. Nicholas



American Santa



German Santa



Senior Leader's Night

Camp Casey Reggie's Activity Bar is sponsoring Senior Leader's Night at 5 p.m. every Wednesday. Enjoy Reggie's brewery beverage special as well as free snack. For information, call 730-2715.

Mitchell's Disc Jockey

R&B DJ Hollywood performs at Mitchell's club Friday and Saturday nights. DJ Hollywood will entertain from 9 p.m. until closing. For information, call 732-8189.

Football And Wings

Camp Red Cloud's Mitchell's Club screens National Football League football games every Tuesday. Buffalo wings and beverage specials are offered during the games. For information, call 732-8189.

Car Wash Service

Area I Morale, Welfare and Recreation Service Division offers a 24-hour car wash at Camp Mobile. The car wash is self service and accepts 500-won coins only. For information, call 730-3928.

Playgroups for Children

Yongsan Playgroups is now accepting new members. The group plans play dates, educational activities and field trips for families with infants, toddlers and pre-schoolers in Yongsan and Hannam Village areas. E-mail joyner57@hotmail.com for membership information.

Holiday Bowling Sale

Camp Casey Bowling Center is offering a special holiday sale. Selected items such as bowling balls and accessories will be on sale at up to 50 percent off. Sale ends Dec. 31. For information, call Camp Casey Bowling Center at 730-4577.

Comedy ROKs Tour

today Camp Essayons, Stalker Club @ 7 p.m.  
Saturday Camp Hovey, Borderline Cafe @ 7 p.m.  
Sunday Yongsan Garrison, Main Post Club @ 8 p.m.  
Tuesday K-16, Community Club @ 7:30 p.m.

Dallas Cowboy Cheerleaders

The Dallas Cowboy Cheerleaders will visit military installations around the Republic of Korea.  
today Osan AB TBD  
Saturday Camp Stanley CAC, 7 p.m.  
Sunday Camp Humphreys CAC, 7 p.m.  
Monday Kunsan AB Hangar #2, 7 p.m.

Bellamys Brothers Visit Korea

Thursday - Camp Walker, Kelly Fitness Center, 7 p.m.  
Dec. 24 - Camp Casey, Carey Fitness Center, 7 p.m.  
Dec. 25 - Camp Stanley, Gym, 7 p.m.

Area III plans busy New Year's Eve

By Mike Mooney  
Area III MWR Marketing Chief

CAMP HUMPHREYS – Area III Soldiers, airmen, civilian employees and family members will have a full range of activities to choose from New Year's Eve, including a gourmet dinner, a country music concert and early-morning activities at the clubs, recreation centers and gymnasiums.

Here's a brief rundown of events at each Area III installation:

Camp Humphreys

There's a full night of activities on tap, starting with a Prime Rib Dinner at the Nitewatch, followed by the Bellamy Brothers Concert in the Community Activities Center, a Roll-in-the-New Year Bowling Party at the Strike Zone and a full schedule going through 2 a.m. at the CAC and Gymnasium.

Clubs – The Nitewatch Prime Rib Dinner will be served from 6-10 p.m. and is \$19.95 per person. The five-course meal includes appropriate wines with each course. Reservations are recommended (753-3101).

The annual Tommy D's Rocking New Year Party starts at 10 p.m. and will feature the always-popular WES Band. There's a \$5 cover charge which includes a breakfast after midnight.

In addition, the Nitewatch Gameroom will be open until 1 a.m.

Bowling – The Strike Zone Roll-in-the-New Year Party starts at 11 p.m. and is \$20 per person. The fee includes bowling, champagne, finger foods, party favors and prize shots. Individuals can enter at the bowling center or by calling 753-5722.

Youth Services – There will be Teen Lock-In from 8 p.m. New Year's Eve through 8 a.m. New Year's morning, giving parents the opportunity to enjoy the other New Year's Eve

activities knowing their kids are safe. Pre-registration is required before Dec. 24. For information, call 753-8507.

Sports – The Camp Humphreys Gymnasium will be a beehive of activity, with organized activities kicking off at 10 p.m. and lasting until 2 a.m.

Tournaments include Dodgeball, 3-on-3 basketball, 4-on-4 volleyball, a King of the Hill Racquetball Tournament and a run in the New Year 5-kilometer road race at midnight. Individuals and teams can sign up in advance or at the gym that night.

Community Activities Center – The Bellamy Brothers will present a free concert starting at 8 p.m., to be followed by country karaoke and a full series of recreation tournament to include darts, 8-ball and 9-ball, Korean pocketless pool, X-Box and foosball – all in an alcohol-free environment.

In addition, the CAC is arranging for Cybertopia to extend its hours, if needed.

Camps Long and Eagle

Wonju will also be a busy place New Year's Eve, with a DJ dance party planned for the Longshot CAC and the gymnasiums at both camps busy places.

Sports activities, which will be divided between the two camp gyms, include musical basketball, dodgeball, a KATUSA and U.S. Soldier All-Star Basketball game, a 3-on-3 Coed Basketball Tournament and a midnight 5-kilometer run.

Suwon Airbase

Soldiers at Suwon will also have a full night with a BOSS New Year's Eve Party in Scudbuster's starting at 8 p.m.

Sports activities include 3-on-3 basketball, 4-on-4 walleyball and a midnight 5-kilometer.

Full schedules of New Year's Eve and other holiday activities are posted in Area III MWR facilities.

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MWR Cable, AFN to provide coverage of college bowl games

Morale, Welfare and Recreation

YONGSAN – With only a handful of days until the holiday season starts, MWR Cable TV is working twice as hard to make the season more enjoyable for you. They will be delivering College Bowl games direct to your televisions at home and MWR clubs.

According to MWR Cable TV Branch Chief Ron Buss, "Time zones sometimes makes viewing a little difficult and we are happy that we can make a bowl schedule available so people can plan ahead during the holiday season."

For questions or concerns regarding MWR Cable TV or to sign up for Premium service, call 738-CATV (2288).

2004-2005 College Bowl Schedule on MWR CATV

Motor City Bowl  
Toledo vs Connecticut  
7:30 a.m. Dec. 28 AFN-Sports  
9 p.m. Dec. 28 AFN-Sports (Rebroadcast)

Independence Bowl  
Iowa State vs Miami  
8:30 a.m. Dec. 29 AFN-Sports

Insight Bowl  
Oregon State vs Notre Dame  
11:45 a.m. Dec. 29 AFN-Sports  
3 a.m. Dec. 30 AFN-Sports (Rebroadcast)  
EV1.net Houston Bowl  
Colorado vs UTEP  
6:30 a.m. Dec. 30 AFN-Sports

MasterCard Alamo Bowl  
Ohio State vs Oklahoma State  
10 a.m. Dec. 30 AFN-Sports

Continental Tire Bowl  
Boston College vs North Carolina  
3 a.m. Dec. 31 AFN-Sports

Emerald Bowl  
Navy vs New Mexico  
6:30 a.m. Dec. 31 AFN-Sports

Pacific Life Holiday Bowl  
Texas Tech vs California  
10 a.m. Dec. 31 AFN-Sports  
9 p.m. Dec. 31 AFN-Sports (Rebroadcast)

Silicon Valley Football Classic  
Northern Illinois vs Troy  
1 p.m. Dec. 31 AFN-Sports

Gaylord Hotels Music City Bowl  
Alabama vs Minnesota  
2 a.m. Jan. 1 AFN-Sports

Vitalis Sun Bowl  
Arizona State vs Purdue  
4 a.m. Jan. 1 AFN-Korea

AutoZone Liberty Bowl  
Louisville vs Boise State  
5:30 a.m. Jan. 1 AFN-Sports

Chick-fil-A Peach Bowl  
Miami vs Florida  
9:30 a.m. Jan. 1 AFN-Sports  
9:30 p.m. Jan. 1 AFN-Sports (Rebroadcast)

Outback Bowl  
Georgia vs Wisconsin  
1 a.m. Jan. 2 AFN-Sports  
9 p.m. Jan. 2 AFN-Atlantic (Rebroadcast)

Toyota Gator Bowl  
West Virginia vs Florida State  
2:30 a.m. Jan. 2 AFN-Korea

Capital One Bowl  
Iowa vs LSU  
3 a.m. Jan. 2 AFN-Atlantic

Rose Bowl  
Michigan vs Texas  
6:30 a.m. Jan. 2 AFN-Korea  
5 p.m. Jan. 2 AFN-Sports

Cotton Bowl  
Texas A&M vs Tennessee  
8 a.m. Jan. 2 AFN-Sports (Tape Delayed Broadcast)

Tostitos Fiesta Bowl  
Utah vs Pittsburgh  
10:30 a.m. Jan. 2 AFN-Korea  
9:30 p.m. Jan. 2 AFN-Sports (Rebroadcast)

Nokia Sugar Bowl  
Auburn vs Virginia Tech  
10 a.m. Jan. 4 AFN-Korea

FedEx Orange Bowl  
USC vs Oklahoma  
10 a.m. Jan. 5 AFN-Korea  
9 p.m. Jan. 5 AFN-Sports (Rebroadcast)



## Patriot Soldiers conduct joint counter-terror exercise at Suwon

By 2nd Lt. David Marlow

1st Battalion, 43rd Air Defense Artillery

**SUWON AIR BASE** — “It was great training,” said Pfc. Felicia Brandyburg, a 25-year-old medic with 1st Battalion, 43 Air Defense Artillery. “An exercise like

this is why I became a Soldier. It was definitely Hoo-ah.”

On Nov. 5, the Patriot Soldiers of the 1-43 ADA conducted a combined counter-terror exercise with the 10th Fighter Wing of the Republic of Korea

Air Force at Suwon Air Base.

The scenario forced the Joint Quick Reaction Force to respond to a small team of up to four terrorists, who had placed explosives near Patriot missiles at Suwon’s ammunition supply point.

“This is exactly the type of training Soldiers of any and all MOSs must be exposed to,” said Capt. Junice Dawn G. Hooks, the commander of Headquarters and Headquarters Battery. “Although this isn’t the primary mission of my Soldiers,” she said, “in today’s contemporary operating environment, my guys have to be ready to fight. They really got geared up for this.”

The exercise began with a six-Soldier quick response team from Headquarters and Headquarters Battery notifying the 10th Fighter Wing’s Ground Operations Center that there was trouble at the ASP. After they received a thorough situation report from their American counterparts, the ROK wing dispatched a QRF that included explosive ordnance disposal specialists.

Within minutes, the combined QRF extricated the faux terrorists from the ASP. EOD specialists immediately went through procedures to deal with any explosives that were set in place by the terrorists, and American medics went

through casualty evacuation procedures for those “wounded” during the exercise.

“This was great training for my guys,” said 1st Lt. John Tubon, a physician’s assistant for 1-43 ADA. “Evacuating casualties from a site where terrorists have placed explosives is exactly the type of situation my medics could face in Iraq or Afghanistan.”

Perhaps most importantly, the exercise was an opportunity for Soldiers from the Patriot unit to refine any tactics, techniques and procedures particular to working jointly with ROK personnel.

“The most important thing is communication,” said 1st Lt. Russell Hennessey, 1-43 ADA battalion intelligence officer. “Our (Korean Augmentation to the U.S. Army Soldiers) play a major role in easing communication difficulties. In addition, the battalion holds regular ‘meet and greets’ with ROK personnel so that everyone is familiar with one another.”

Capt. Jason Abelli, 1-43 ADA assistant operations officer said, “Any time that we can get our people out there operating in a joint environment it’s good training.”

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1-43 Air Defense Artillery medics prepare to evacuate a “casualty” to medical facilities during the Nov. 5 combined counter-terror exercise at Suwon Air Base. The exercise allowed a joint American and Republic of Korea Quick Response Force team to train together under realistic conditions.

## Medical Battalion inducts new NCOs

By Steve Davis

Area III Public Affairs Office

**CAMP HUMPHREYS** — Twenty-six 52nd Medical Evacuation Battalion Soldiers were inducted into the ranks of the Noncommissioned Officer Corps during a ceremony Dec. 2 at Camp Humphreys.

The ceremony, held at the 377th Medical Company hanger at Desiderio Army Airfield, was attended by officers, noncommissioned officers and guests who watched the new sergeants pass under crossed sabers during the traditional induction rite.

“This is a great day for conducting an induction ceremony,” said Command Sgt. Maj. Tuileama T. Nua, the battalion’s senior NCO, as he introduced the guest speaker, Command Sgt. Maj. Diane Foster of the 2nd Battalion, 52nd Aviation Regiment — a CH-47D Chinook helicopter unit based at Camp Humphreys.

Foster congratulated the Soldiers on their induction as noncommissioned officers.

“Let no one be more professional than you. Be that ‘backbone’ everyone speaks of when speaking of NCOs,” she said.

Following the address, each inductee passed under crossed sabers and signed the unit NCO role book. Each received a congratulatory handshake from Foster and unit leaders, along with an induction certificate commemorating their induction and bearing the NCO Creed, before returning to their seats to hear a recitation of the NCO Oath. Together they recited the NCO Creed.

Following a short skit in which the new NCOs were requested, as noncommissioned officers, to take care of their Soldiers, they sang the Army Song and were congratulated by leaders and guests.

The inductees included Soldiers from 52nd Medical Evacuation Battalion units at Camp Page in Chuncheon, Yongsan Garrison in Seoul and Camp Humphreys near Pyeongtaek. They were:

Headquarters and Headquarters, 52nd Medical Evacuation Battalion: Sgt. Choe Chae; Sgt. Lee Hyun-jung; Sgt. Brandon Stokes; and Sgt. Suh Dong-suk.

560th Medical Company: Sgt. Juan Corona; Sgt. Paula Demoney; Sgt. John Griffith; and Cpl. Yuh Sung-Mo.

568th Medical Company: Sgt. Nicholas Jameson; Sgt. Raymond

Lancaster; Sgt. Kenneth McCarthy; Sgt. Sheldon Phillips and Sgt. Murray Rice.

377th Medical Company: Sgt. Bryan Carter; Cpl. Chad Chapman; Cpl. Brian Meugniot; and Sgt. Anthony Tsantles.

542nd Medical Company: Sgt. Shaun Codd; Sgt. Amanda Fejarang; Sgt. Anthony Kato; Sgt. Ko Seung-hyun; Sgt. Lyron Pinckney; Sgt. Joshua Solem; Sgt. Douglas Sullivan; Sgt. Jivaro Williams; and Cpl. Yoo Jun-ho.

Carter and Tsantles, inductees from the 377th Medical Company discussed the significance of the ceremony.

“It brought pride to me for all my fellow noncommissioned officers to recognize my success in the military today and to congratulate me for being promoted as an NCO,” Carter said.

Tsantles said the traditional-induction ceremony increases esprit de corps and “brings a recognition you don’t necessarily experience all the time.”

“To have this gathering and to actually see folks go before fellow noncommissioned officers brings a lot of pride to the unit,” he said.

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PHOTO BY STEVE DAVIS

52nd Medical Evacuation Battalion Soldiers pass under crossed sabers Dec. 2, during their induction into the noncommissioned officer ranks.



## Change of Responsibility



PHOTO BY PVT. LEE KI-SUB

Republic of Korea Army Maj. Hwang In-ju (left), became the new commander, Area III Senior ROKA Staff, Korean Augmentation to the U.S. Army Soldiers in a ceremony held at Camp Humphreys Dec. 8. Command Sergeant Major Lee Dong-seok presents the major with the Area III flag during the ceremony.

## NEWS & NOTES

### Newcomers Briefing

The next Newcomers Briefing will be from 8 a.m.-noon Jan. 11 at the Camp Humphreys Community Activities Center. Soldiers, civilians and family members new to Area III are encouraged to attend. For information, call 753-6901.

### Holiday Commissary Hours

Holiday hours for the Camp Humphreys will be:  
Dec. 20, 24, 27 and 31: 11 a.m.-7 p.m.  
Dec. 25-26 and Jan. 1: Closed  
Dec. 27 and 31: 11 a.m.-7 p.m.  
Jan. 2: 10:30 a.m.-5:30 p.m.  
Normal hours apply to days not listed above. For information, call 753-6711.

### Holiday Exchange Hours Main Store

Dec. 24, 31: 9 a.m.-8 p.m.  
Dec. 25: Closed  
Jan. 1: Closed

### Holiday Food Court Hours

Dec. 24: 6:30 a.m. - 8 p.m.  
Dec. 25: Closed  
Dec. 31: 6:30 a.m. - 10 p.m.  
Jan. 1: 8 a.m. - 10 p.m.

### Dallas Cowboy Cheerleaders

The Dallas Cowboy Cheerleaders will perform at 6:30 p.m. Sunday at the Camp Humphreys Community Activities Center. For information, call 753-8825.

### Breakfast with Santa

Free digital photos of the kids with Santa will be available at "Breakfast with Santa" from 9-11 a.m. Saturday and Sunday at the Nitewatch at Camp Humphreys. For information, call 753-3101.

### Holiday Services at Freedom Chapel

Holiday services have been scheduled at Freedom Chapel at Camp Humphreys for the following dates.  
■ Christmas Eve Candlelight Service, Dec. 24 at 6:30 p.m.  
■ Christmas Catholic Mass, Dec. 25 At 10 a.m.  
■ New Year's "Nitewatch" Service, Dec. 31 at 11 p.m.  
For information, call Freedom Chapel at 753-7269.

# 'Curly' Claus makes Humphreys smile

Area III Public Affairs Office

**CAMP HUMPHREYS** - Christmas is celebrated in different ways by different people. Some draw close together with families. Some love to attend holiday parties. Some spend time in church thanking God for their blessings. But one Camp Humphreys resident feels that it's just not Christmas until he has the chance to don his bright red Santa suit and put smiles on the faces of everyone he sees.

Stuart M. "Curly" Karmelin may be the only man assigned in Korea who owns his own Santa suit. As an information technology specialist with the 501st Signal Company, he spends much of his work day involved the interior of computers.

"I enjoy making people smile," he said.

He has been doing what he enjoys. "Curly" Claus has been seen greeting parents and children at the Humphreys Post Exchange, posing for pictures with the younger set at the Community Activities Center and greeting Korean orphans at a party sponsored by Area III Morale, Welfare and Recreation. On his schedule is "Breakfast with Santa" at the Humphreys Nitewatch Cafe Saturday and Sunday, and an appearance with the Dallas Cowboy Cheerleaders at the Community Activities Center Sunday evening.

Karmelin, a 1972 graduate of Fallsburg Central High School, Fallsburgh N.Y., calls Dacula, Ga., home. Enlisting in the Air Force in 1974, he served five years before getting out to attend the University of Southern Mississippi, where he earned his bachelor's degree in computer science



PHOTO BY ROGER EDWARDS

"Curly" Claus has been making appearances around Camp Humphreys, spreading the Christmas Spirit and making children and their parents smile where ever he goes.

and his Air Force commission. He retired as a captain with 20-years active duty in 1996 after earning two associate degrees as an enlisted man (Saint Leo College and the Community College of the Air Force), two bachelor degrees (USM and a BS in business at Tampa University) and a Masters of Business Administration at Golden Gate University.

"I got started in playing Santa because I'm a clown," he said.

Karmelin is being literal. His alter-ego is "Splat," the clown.

"I'm strictly amateur," he said. "I'm not in the national clown registry or anything, and I don't make money from

it, but I enjoy being Splat, and Splat has come to be known in certain circles."

Splat has appeared at the Junior National and Junior World Racquetball Championships and at various other high level events.

Karmelin first started clowning around about 1990 at racquetball events. He says it's a game he enjoys and that gave his clown his name. A "splat" is a certain kind of shot in racquetball.

"Anyway, he said, "being a clown is just a step away from becoming Santa — and they both manage to do what I love to do best: Make people smile."

# Macdonald takes a piece of Korean history home

Area III Public Affairs Office

**CAMP HUMPHREYS** - A model Quonset hut was among mementos given to the outgoing Installation Management Agency- Korea Region Director at his farewell dinner Nov. 29 at Yongsan Garrison in Seoul.

Brig. Gen. John A. Macdonald was presented the Quonset by Area III Commander Col. Michael J. Taliento Jr. and Command Sgt. Maj. Robert R. Frace on behalf of the U.S. Army Area III Support Activity and Camp Humphreys. Macdonald is on his way to the U.S. Army Community and Family Support Center, which oversees the Army's Morale, Welfare and Recreation programs.

"The general was really surprised and enjoyed the presentation because he was so big on getting rid of old buildings as we improve the quality of life here," said Frace.

The model Quonset presented to Macdonald was fashioned by the Area III Directorate of Public Works metal shop from the metal of an original

Quonset that had been demolished at Camp Humphreys, Frace said.

"The top lifts up and you can look inside," said Frace. "Area III staff directors put a bunk with a Soldier to represent Brig. Gen.

Macdonald, along with an Area III coin, a traditional Korean A-Frame for lifting and carrying heavy objects, a candle and a pair of scissors to remind the general of ribbon-cuttings attended in Area III."

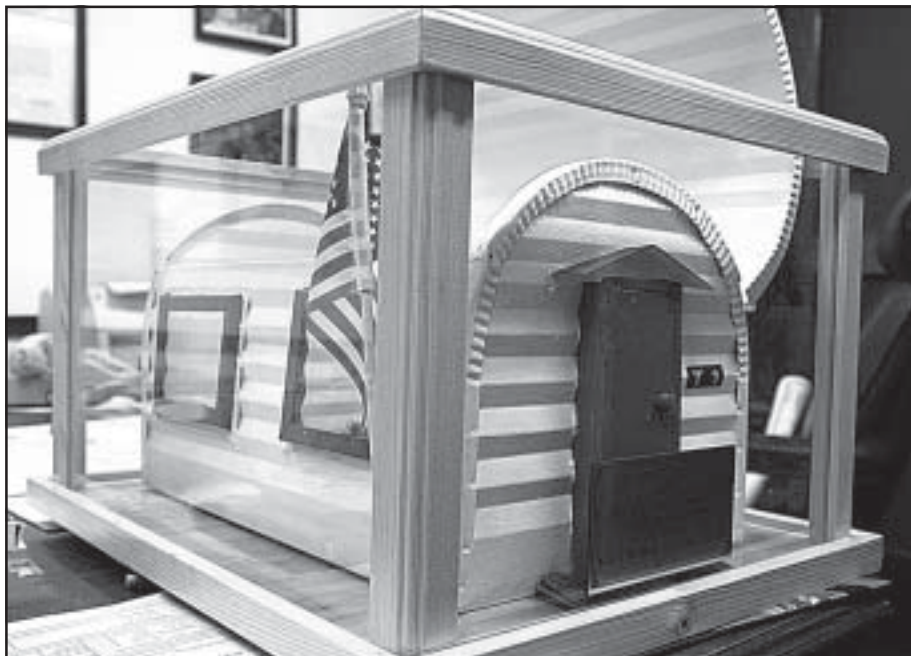


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An American flag hangs above the model Quonset hut Area III presented to outgoing Installation Management Agency-Korea Region Director Brig. Gen. John A. Macdonald.



# Christmas at Humphreys



*About 150 Humphreys American Elementary School children put on a Christmas program for their parents Dec. 8, singing Christmas songs to the accompaniment of Verna Redd, their music teacher. The kindergarten class wears Santa-style hats in celebration of the holiday.*



*Above: Volunteers and members of the Army Community Service crew display the banner being sent to Soldiers deployed to Iraq. The banner features handprints and personal messages from friends and family wishing happy holidays to the deployed Soldiers. The banner accompanies care packages containing items wanted and needed by Soldiers in the field.*

*Right: A father helps his daughter make Christmas cards at the Commander's Community Center at Camp Humphreys.*



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## Fine Arts Exhibit brings out best in Busan youth

By Galen Putnam

Area IV Public Affairs Office

**CAMP HIALEAH** – Young artists from Camp Hialeah showed at the annual Child and Youth Services Fine Arts Exhibit Reception held Dec. 8 at the Pusan Pub, that although small in number, they are big in talent.

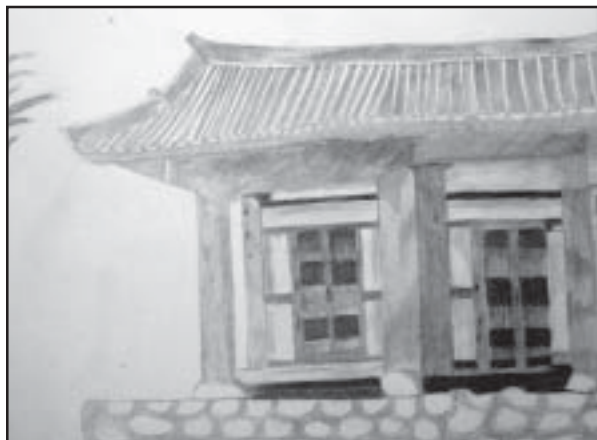
The annual Fine Arts Program is sponsored by the Boys & Girls Clubs of America.

About 45 entries were submitted by nearly 30 participants in monochromatic drawing, multicolored drawing, watercolor, collage, sculpture, mixed media and group project categories. Youth exhibited their artwork by category and age group with 13 entries being forwarded to regional exhibit at Osan Air Base Feb. 4-9, 2005. Selected artwork at the regional level will go on to exhibit at the national exhibit in Atlanta where the selected artwork will be announced at the Boys & Girls Clubs of America national conference in June 2005.

"This is a very good opportunity to encourage and motivate the kids' creativity," said Su-mi Hong, Child and Youth Services program assistant and Fine Arts Exhibit coordinator. "It gives them a sense of pride when their artwork is displayed professionally. It is meaningful when they gain recognition from their families, peers and community."

Judging was conducted by Shon Ok-sun, Lee Sung-ja and Chong Duk-sun, all local retired Korean art teachers from Nae-Seong Elementary School, Busan. Submitted artwork was judged by category and age groups 9 and younger, 10-12, 13-15, and 16-18. Judges were allowed to select only one work from each category in each age class for submission to regional judging.

The artwork entered into the contest was on display Dec. 6-10 at the Pusan Pub for the entire community to enjoy. The big event, however, was the reception featuring a main ballroom packed with



Detail from an untitled monochromatic drawing by Hana Noguchi, 11. The entry was selected for advancement to regional judging.

well-wishers and community members. Also on hand were several students, faculty and staff members from Nae-Song Elementary School. Several art students from the school exhibited their artwork as part of the exhibition.

Each artist received a certificate of participation. Artists whose entries were selected to advance to regional exhibit received certificates of merit.

"I like to imagine stuff and be creative," said Daniel Dudley, 10, whose entry "Trip to Disneyland" was selected to advance to regional exhibit in the watercolor category. "This was exciting and the other artwork was very, very good."

"This is a positive event for the community," said Dean Moore, Camp Hialeah Child & Youth Services coordinator. "The Fine Arts Program is year-round and allows youth to learn about the arts, have the opportunity to expand their creative interests and hone their artistic skills and abilities. This has been a great forum to recognize our talented youth."

Entries from the following individuals will be forwarded to the regional competition:



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Paige James, 9, displays "Bird Fish," her winning entry in the multicolored-drawing category. James also won in the Group Project category.

- Paige James, 9, Multicolored Drawing
- Erik Vanderwerf, 8, Watercolor
- Linda Irshid, 9, Mixed Media
- Jackson Small, 8, Collage
- Kayla Graham, 7, Sculpture
- Hana Noguchi, 11, Monochromatic Drawing
- Luke Lim, 10, Multicolored Drawing
- Daniel Dudely, 10, Watercolor
- Kimberly Wolter, 11, Sculpture
- Angela Vandersys, 14, Monochromatic Drawing
- Ashley Smith, 13, Mixed Media
- Thomas Marin, 13, Sculpture
- Group Project: Daniel Dudely, 10; Kayla Graham, 7; Linda Irshid, 9; Sandra Irshid, 10; Paige James, 9; Luke Lim, 10; Kimberly Wolter, 11

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## Door Grinners

Pfc. Jose Melendez, a UH-60 Blackhawk helicopter crew chief with Company C, 1st Battalion, 52nd Aviation Regiment headquartered at K-16 Air Base in Seoul, demonstrates how the M-60 machine gun is mounted onto the aircraft as a Taegu American School student looks on Dec. 8.

Two aircraft from the unit's "Charlie South" Detachment, based at the Walker Army Heliport, landed on the Taegu American School soccer field to give students an opportunity to see the helicopters up close. Cub and Boy Scouts from the school received special thanks and certificates from the flight crews for scouring the landing zone and removing debris prior to the their arrival.

"This is like a mini air show," said Chief Warrant Officer Brian E. Parrotte, detachment commander. "Some people will never get to fly in a helicopter but this, at least, gives kids a chance to climb on board and see what it is like first-hand."



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## NEWS &amp; NOTES

**55th TMMC Closure**

The 55th Theater Material Management Command will close at noon today for the unit's Christmas party. For information, call Capt. Sabrina Henry-James at 768-8135.

**Carroll Dining Facility**

The Camp Carroll Dining Facility has moved to the old gym because of renovation expected to last about for 60 days. For information, call Sgt. 1st Class Lisa Peterson at 765-7036.

**Travel During Curfew**

Travel between installations and to or from residence and or workplace during curfew hours is authorized for all U.S. servicemembers and civilian workforce according to Paragraph 3 d. (4) of USFK Fragmentary Order #05-01 (Updated Force Protection Enhancements).

**Walker Dental Clinic**

The Camp Walker Dental Clinic will be open for in- and out-processing only through Jan. 3 because of renovation. During this period emergency and limited routine care will be provided at the Camp Carroll Dental Clinic. Walker Dental Clinic will be relocated inside Wood Medical Clinic where normal operations will begin Jan. 4. The dental clinic will remain inside Wood Clinic for the duration of the renovation, expected to last about a year. For information, call Staff Sgt. Doricina Hendricks at 764-4307.

**Carroll Bus Service**

"Home to Work/Work to Home" bus service between Camp Carroll and select locations in and around camps Henry, Walker and George is now available for a monthly fee of \$65. The service is available to all ID card holders. For information, call Choe Yang-chun at 765-7716.

**TARC 5-Kilometer Run**

The Taegu Area Running Club is hosting a community 5-kilometer run 9 a.m. Jan. 1 at Kelly Fitness Center on Camp Walker. Registration begins at 8:30 a.m. For more information, call Patrick Noble at 768-8238.

**Consular, Immigration Services in Busan**

U.S. Embassy officers will be in Busan in the American Corner at Busan Metropolitan Simin Library Jan. 27 - 28 to provide consular services. American citizens who wish to file applications or get more information about passports, Consular Reports of Birth Abroad, Federal Benefits, voting information and notariats, may come in during this time. For information, check out their Web site at [www.asktheconsul.org](http://www.asktheconsul.org).

**Department of Defense Schools Survey**

The Department of Defense Education Agency is conducting a customer satisfaction survey through Feb. 28. The survey is open to all fourth- to 12th-grade Department of Defense Education Agency students, the parents or sponsors of all students, and the teachers. The survey is available online and at any Department of Defense Education Agency and is completely anonymous. For information, visit [www.dodea.edu](http://www.dodea.edu).

# Children cavort at Camp Carroll Christmas

By Kevin Jackson

Area IV Public Affairs Office

**CAMP CARROLL** - Santa Claus paid what ordinarily would have been a very quick visit to Camp Carroll Dec. 11, but the surprise was on him.

An estimated 650 children, who wouldn't normally be there, along with 400 parents were lined up out the door and down the side of the year-old fitness center eagerly awaiting a visit with St. Nick at the annual Camp Carroll Children's Christmas Party.

Every year since 1999, Camp Carroll has hosted the children of U.S. Soldiers, American and Korean civilian employees at the installation to usher in the Christmas season. The party was jointly sponsored by the Area IV Support Activity at Camp Carroll and the U.S. Army Materiel Support Center-Korea and supported by Better Opportunities for Single and Unaccompanied Soldiers.

Each of the children had a chance to visit and take a photograph with Santa and then were presented a neatly wrapped gift, which contained a large sketchbook, diary, a notebook, crayons and a pencil set. In addition to the children receiving a gift, everyone was provided a meal consisting of hot dogs, home-baked Christmas cookies, Korean rice cakes, tangerines, ice cream and soft drinks.

Children also had an opportunity to visit with costumed characters, play a variety of games, and make Christmas arts and crafts. Civilian employees and about 20 Soldiers from BOSS supported these activities.

"They were a big plus," said Wilfred Plumley, Camp Carroll installation manager. "They basically came to help out wherever they were needed. We also had the Masons. Most of the servers came from that group."

Entertainment was provided by the Chungang Kindergarten dance team, which performed a modern dance



More than 1,000 people file into the Camp Carroll Fitness Center for the installation's annual Christmas Party for Children. The event featured a variety of activities including the opportunity for each child to visit with Santa Claus.

which translates to "Raining Man," and Korean dances called "Salt Sailing Man" and a colorful routine with Korean national flags entitled "Dok-do is Ours." The Changmu Tae-kwon-do Institution with children ranging from nine to 12 years old also performed. Even the Camp Carroll Fire Department got into the act with water hose and ladder demonstrations for the kids.

While the party was intended to usher

in the holiday season, it was also an opportunity for positive community relations with young Korean children, according to Plumley.

"Our employees' children don't know anything about us," he said. "They are impressionable and it's a perfect time to have them on post. Those kids will go back to their schools and talk about Camp Carroll and what the U.S. Soldiers have done for them. It was just a perfect event."

Plumley said the party was partially funded by the ticket sales, which were only \$1 per person. The majority of it was funded by donations from the Taegu Spouses Association, the KATUSA Snack Bar and Michael Burch, director of maintenance, U.S. Army Materiel Support Center-Korea.

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Pak Kum-hui and her son receive a Christmas gift from Kim Yon-hui after entering the Children's Christmas Party at Camp Carroll Dec. 11. Both women are Camp Carroll employees.



Choe Hye-chin, a supply technician for the U.S. Army Materiel Support Center Korea's Supply and Transportation Directorate, paints a child's face during the annual Christmas party for children of Camp Carroll employees.



# HOLIDAY NOTES

## Camp Walker Holiday Events:

- ❑ The Camp Walker Community Activity Center is accepting homemade-cookie donations through Dec. 20. For information, call Chong Sam-yong at 764-4123.
- ❑ The Area IV Exceptional Family Member Program is sponsoring a shopping trip to Osan Saturday. The trip will depart 8 a.m. from the Camp Walker library. The trip is for sponsors and families enrolled in the Exceptional Family Member Program. Reservations required. For information, call Marietta Dixon at 768-8329.
- ❑ The Evergreen Golf Club pro shop is having a Christmas sale Monday – Dec. 19. For information, call Ray Cragun at 764-4601.
- ❑ The Camp Walker Community Activity Center is accepting Christmas Santa delivery orders Tuesday – Dec. 22. Orders will be accepted for only camps Walker, Henry and George. The presents will be delivered 9 a.m. – 4 p.m. Dec. 23. For information, call Chong Sam-yong at 764-4123.
- ❑ The Hilltop Club on Camp Walker is offering Christmas Eve special menu 5 – 7 p.m. Dec. 24. There is no cover charge. For information, call 764-4985.
- ❑ King and Queen of the Hill bowling tournament will be Dec. 25 at the Camp Walker Bowling Center. For information, call 764-4334.
- ❑ The Evergreen Community Club on Camp Walker is offering Christmas buffet 10 a.m. – 2 p.m. Dec. 25. For information, call 764-4060.
- ❑ The Camp Walker Community Activity Center is hosting a Christmas Open House Dec. 25 with a 1 p.m. table tennis tournament; a 2 p.m. chess tournament, and a 5 p.m. pool tournament. For more information, call Chong Sam-yong at 764-4123.
- ❑ The Taegu Area Running Club is hosting a community 5-kilometer run 9 a.m. Jan. 1 at Kelly Fitness Center on Camp Walker. Registration begins at 8:30 a.m. For information, call Patrick Noble at 768-8238.

## Camp Henry Holiday Events:

- ❑ The Camp Henry Army Community Service is hosting a shopping trip to Osan 8 a.m. Dec. 11. It is free of charge. For information, call 768-7112.
- ❑ The Area IV Exceptional Family Member Program is hosting a children's Christmas party 6 p.m. Dec. 23 at the Camp Henry Army Community Service. For information, call 768-7112.

## Camp Carroll Holiday Events:

- ❑ The Camp Carroll Community Activity Center is hosting the children's holiday party 1 p.m. Dec. 11. For information, call 765-7484.
- ❑ The Camp Carroll Apple Blossom Cottage is hosting the holiday potluck luncheon noon – 2 p.m. Dec. 21. For information, call 765-7049.
- ❑ Camp Carroll Child and Youth Services is having a family celebration feast 4 p.m. Dec. 23. For more information, call 765-8738.
- ❑ A 3-on-3 basketball tournament will be 11 a.m. Dec. 23 at the Camp Carroll Fitness Center. For information, call 765-8287.
- ❑ The Camp Carroll Hideaway Club is hosting a Holiday Bash 8 p.m. Dec. 24. For more information, call 765-8574.
- ❑ Colorama bowling night will be 6 p.m. – 8 p.m. Dec. 25 at the Camp Carroll Bowling Center. For information, call 765-8409.

## Camp Hialeah Holiday Events:

- ❑ The Busan Pub on Camp Hialeah is offering holiday dinners to go through Dec. 30. For information, call 763-3685.
- ❑ Photos with Santa will be 1 p.m. Saturday at the Camp Hialeah Community Activity Center. For more information, call 763-7392.
- ❑ The Camp Hialeah Child and Youth Services Holiday Dance show will be 3 p.m. Saturday at the Camp Hialeah Fitness Center. For more information, call 763-3536.

- ❑ The Hialeah Women's Club is sponsoring a children's Christmas party 1:30 – 3:30 p.m. Dec. 18 at the Haven Community Center. It is open for all children in the community. For more information, call Master Sgt. Tracy Pope-Dixon at 763-3773.
- ❑ Christmas bingo will be 3 p.m. Dec. 19 at the Camp Hialeah Community Activity Center. For information, call 763-7392.
- ❑ The Camp Hialeah Bowling Center is hosting a Christmas Party 6 p.m. Dec. 23. For information, call 763-3789.
- ❑ Santa will be visiting on-duty Soldiers 8 a.m. Dec. 25 on Camp Hialeah. For information, call 763-7392.
- ❑ Holiday volleyball and basketball tournaments will be Dec. 27 – 30, and a racquetball tournament will be Dec. 28 – 30 at the Camp Hialeah Fitness Center. For information, call 763-7703.

## Camp George Holiday Events:

- ❑ The Camp George Child Development Center has planned several events for the Holiday season. Santa will be visiting the Camp George Child Development Center 9:30 a.m. Dec. 21. The Children Around the World celebration will be 9:30 a.m. Dec. 23. The parents potluck luncheon will follow. For information, call 768-7707.

## Holiday Religious Services:

- ❑ The Camp Hialeah Protestant service and Christmas caroling will be 6 p.m. Dec. 24 at the Post Chapel.
- ❑ The Camp Carroll Christmas Eve Protestant candlelight service will be 7 p.m. Dec. 24 at the Post Chapel followed by Lord's Supper.
- ❑ The Camp Walker Catholic Children's Mass will be 5 p.m. Dec. 24 at the Post Chapel followed by Catholic Christmas party 6 p.m. Protestant Candlelight Service will be 7 p.m. and Catholic Midnight Mass will start 10 p.m.

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## Commissary Caroling



Daegu area Girl Scouts sing Christmas carols at the Taegu Commissary Sunday. Besides serenading customers, participants had the opportunity to visit with Santa and enjoy refreshments, courtesy of the Taegu Commissary.

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## NEWS & NOTES

### Scholarship Available

Applications for the Scholarship for Military Children Program are available at Area IV commissaries. Completed applications are due at the commissaries by Feb. 16. For information, call Alan Esperas at 764-5310 or visit [www.militaryscholar.org](http://www.militaryscholar.org).

### Computer Access Cards

The Area IV Information Management Office is resetting computer access card personal identification numbers for the people who have forgotten their personal identification numbers. The office is located in Building 1222 on Camp Henry and is open 8 – 11:30 a.m. and 1 – 4:30 p.m. daily. For information, call Timothy Unger at 768-6206.

### Bus Route Change

The shuttle bus between camps Walker and Carroll now has an additional stop at Camp Henry on Friday through Sunday and holidays for the midnight bus through the last bus at 3 a.m. Area IV taxis will also be available 2:30 – 3 a.m. Friday through Sunday and holidays in front of the Camp Walker Hilltop Club. For information, call James Adamski at 768-8969.

### Free Vehicle Inspections

The Camp Carroll Transportation Motor Pool maintenance shop is conducting free privately owned vehicle safety inspections every Tuesday. Inspections are conducted by appointment only and are required for vehicle registration. To make an appointment, call 765-7829. For information, call Sgt. 1st Class Dennis Gayles at 765-7804.

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## 피임의 종류와 방법

일병 서기철

최근 성에 대한 젊은이들의 인식이 점차 개방되감에 따라 혼전 성관계를 갖는 경우가 늘고 있다. 성인으로서의 성적만족을 위한 성생활을 무조건 나쁜 것이라고 볼 수만은 없다. 하지만 문제는 모르는 사람과의 건전치 못한 관계이나 임신, 질병 등을 고려하지 않는 무분별한 성생활이라 할 수 있다. 특히 피임을 적절히 하지 못했을 경우 뜻하지 않았던 임신이 미혼모와 유기 및 살해되는 영아들의 증가에 이르는 결과를 초래하고 있다. 따라서 이번 주에는 성관계시 절대적 필수요소인 적절한 피임법에 대하여 알아보도록 하자.

### 절외사정법

이 방법은 19세기적인 가장 원시적 피임방법으로 남녀 성관계 도중에 남성이 사정 직전에 음경을 여성의 질 밖으로 빼내서 사정하므로써 피임을 하는 방법으로 실패의 가능성이 매우 높다. 피임실패의 관건은 전적으로 남성의 자기 조절 능력, 정확히 빼내는 절묘한 기술, 정확한 실행, 그리고 여성 파트너를 보호하려는 고도의 책임감을 필요로 하는 어려운 방법이 기 때문이다. 또한 시간을 절묘하게 잘 맞춰 음경을 질 밖으로 빼냈다 하더라도 절정기 직전의 성적 흥분상태에서는 사정하기 전이라도 소량의 정액이 누출될 수도 있어서 피임에 실패하는 경우가 있다.

### 월경 주기법

월경주기법은 여성의 배란일을 알 수 있다는 점을 이용한 피임법이다. 배란일은 불규칙하고 개인마다 다른긴 하지만 대략 다음과 같다. 월경이 시작된 날을 첫째날로 잡으면 열흘째를 전후하여 임신 가능한 시기가 시작되는데 난자가 성숙하면 호르몬의 양이 많아져 13일째가 되면 체온이 0.5℃정도 높아진다. 그래서 14일째나 또는 다음 월경이 시작되기 2주일 전에 배란이 된다. 따라서 여성의 체온, 자궁에 묻어 있는 점액의 농도, 외관상의 변화를 늘 체크하여 수정될 수 있는 주기를 찾아낼 수 있다

이것은 부부관계가 안정되어 있고 월경주기가 일정할 때, 인공적 피임법을 쓰고 싶지 않은 경우에 적합하다. 다시 말하면 피임이 실패하여 아기를 가졌을 때 낳을 수도 있는 각오가 있어야 한다. 단, 이 방법은 한 달에 적어도 7일간 정도 성교를 하지 않도록 자제할 수 없다면 소용이 없다. 배란기를 피하는 방법으므로 부작용은 전혀 없다. 다만 다른 것과 비교하였을 때 효과가 적고 배란기에 성교를 참아야하므로 서로 욕구불만이 생길 수 있다.

### 콘돔

남자의 경우 가장 많이 사용하는 피임방법은 콘돔사용이다. 콘돔은 사용법이 간단하여 사용하기 쉽고, 사용방법을 지키면 피임이 확실하게 될 가능성이 높다. 또한 남녀 모두에게 건강에 미칠 해가 없다. 그리고 여러 가지 성병의 감염을 예방할 수 있어 남녀 중 어느 한 쪽이 고무에 대한 알

레르기만 없다면 대단히 좋은 피임방법이다.

단, 사용할 때 구멍난 곳이나 찢어진 곳이 없는지 살펴보고, 성교하는도중 콘돔이 찢어지거나 벗겨지게 되면 여자가 성교 후 복용하는 경구 피임약을 복용하는 것이 안전하다. 사정 후 발기가 없어져서 콘돔이 질안에서 빠져나가는 일이 없도록 조심해야 한다. 이 피임법은 실패율이 5% 정도이므로 콘돔을 사용했는데도 여자가 월경 예정 1주일일 지나도록 월경이 없으면 임신여부를 확인해보는 것이 좋다.

### 페미돔

페미돔은 여성용 콘돔으로서 여성의 질내부를 감싸줌으로써 정충을 차단하는 방법으로 여성의 질내로 삽입하여야 한다. 페미돔도 콘돔과 같이 1회용이며 피임 실패율은 0.2% 정도로 완벽하다고 할 수 있으며 성만족도 면에서도 페미돔이 콘돔보다는 높게 나오고 있는데 아마도 발기된 후 사용하는 콘돔과 달리 페미돔은 성관계를 갖기 전에 삽입하기 때문인 것으로 보여진다.

### 살정제(질좌약식, 젤리)

살정제는 질내 사정된 정자의 운동을 없애거나 정자를 죽임으로써 피임효과를 기대하는 방법으로 좌약, 크림, 스펀지, 거품 등의 형태로 되어 있다. 좌약은 성교직전 질 상부 자궁경관이 맞닿는 부위에 삽입하는데 살정효과는 1시간 정도 지속되므로 재차 성교시에는 다시 삽입해야 하며 성교후 최소한 6시간 이내에는 질세척을 피해야 한다. 실패율높은 방법이므로 45세 이상의 수태력이 감소된 여성, 수유중, 희발월경이나 무월경 환자, 질외사정법과 병행하여서 사용할 수 있다.

### 불임수술

여자의 양쪽 난관의 일부를 수술로 절제하든지, 남자의 양쪽 정관의 일부를 수술로 절제해서 피임하는 것을 불임수술이라고 한다. 여러 종류의 피임방법들중 수술로 피임할 때의 피임효과가 가장 좋다. 하지만 다시 임신을 원할 때는 불임수술한 부위를 복원수술해야 한다.

여자의 경우 난소에서 나온 난자가 난관을 통과하여 자궁속으로 들어갈 수 없도록 양쪽 난관의 일부를 절제해 버리고 자궁 양쪽에 붙어 있는 나머지 난관 끝부위와 난소쪽에 붙어 있는 나머지 난관 끝 부위가 서로 연결되지 않게 수술실로 잡아매서 난자와 정자가 더이상 만날 수 없게 하는 것이다.

남자의 경우 고환에서 정낭까지 연결된 가느다란 관을 정관이라고 하는데 고환에서 만들어진 정자는 정관에서 정낭을 거쳐 음경을 통하여 음경 밖으로 사정이 되는데 양쪽 정관의 일부를 절제하여 불임시키는 수술을 정관절제 수술이라고 한다. 정관절제수술을 받으면 성교도중 질속에 사정을 해도 정액속에 정자가 들어있지 않으므로 피임이 되고 또 음경의 발기나 성감에도 아무런 변화가 없다. 정액의 양도 수술받기전과 차이가 없다.

This article is about  
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"Juel-guh-oon  
suhng-tahn-juhl  
dwae-sheep-see-yo."  
"Please have a Merry Christmas!"

Single Consonants											
ㄱ	ㄴ	ㄷ	ㄹ	ㅁ	ㅂ	ㅅ	ㅇ	ㅈ	ㅊ	ㅋ	ㅌ
gu	nu	du	ru, lu	mu	bu	shu, su	ng	ju	chu	kuh	tuh
Double Consonants											
ㄲ		ㄸ		ㅃ		ㅆ		ㅉ		ㅊ	
ggu		ddu		bbu		ssu				jju	
Single Vowels											
ㅏ	ㅑ	ㅓ	ㅕ	ㅗ	ㅛ	ㅜ	ㅠ	ㅡ	ㅣ		
ah	yah	uh	yoh	oh	yo	oo	you	ue	ee		
Double Vowels											
ㅘ	ㅙ		ㅚ	ㅜ	ㅝ	ㅞ	ㅟ	ㅠ	ㅡ		
ae		yeh		weh		wah		wuh	wee		ui

### Word of the week

선물  
'suhn-mool' gift

### The phrase of the week

"Please take my gift."

## 제 선물 받으세요.

Jae suhn-mool bah-due-sae-yo.

my gift

Please take

### Conversation of the week

즐거운 성탄절 입니다.

Merry Christmas!

Juel-guh-oon

suhng-tahn-juhl eem-nee-dah.

네. 즐거운 성탄절 입니다.

Merry Christmas, too!

Nae. Juel-guh-oon

suhng-tahn-juhl eem-nee-dah.

성탄절에 뭐 하세요?

What are you going to do for Christmas?

Suhng-tahn-juhl-ae

muh hah-sae-yo?

(교회)에 가요.

I am going to (church).

(Gyo-hwae)-ae gah-yo.

제 선물 받으세요.

Please take my gift.

Jae suhn-mool

bah-due-sae-yo.

감사합니다.

Thank you very much.

Gahm-sah-hahm-nee-dah.

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